

Discussion Questions

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Moving Forward - Vision 2023 Who We are Becoming



1. What are the top few values you have individually that drive your actions? What things are most important to you?
2. How do you spend time with God currently? Are there ways that you'd like to change that?
3. Do you have anyone in your life that is mentoring you or encouraging you in ways to be more like Jesus? Is there anyone you are a mentor for?
4. How might you develop a stronger, tighter community around you?
5. How is God reflected in the ways you employ your time, your treasure, and your talents?
6. Are you able to engage with 5 unchurched or dechurched friends or relatives this year? Who are they?



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The Church

Greek Ekklesia/Ecclesia = a called-out assembly or congregation

1 Peter 2:9

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

Matthew 22:37

Jesus replied, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments.'

Spend time with God

- Read scripture and pray of course! – but there's more...
- How and when we approach him is telling
- Ask him what he wants, then listen
- Start small, do something new – be vulnerable
- Take decisions to him, share struggles
- Be thankful – recognize his place in your day!
- Ask for grace and forgiveness ongoing
- Learn about him – study his attributes

Become Like Jesus

- See "Spend Time with God"
- Make him the leader of your life - choose God's way over our own
- Choose the things Jesus chose
- Let go, forgive, give grace and mercy
- Love the unlovable
- Cooperate with the Holy Spirit in the opportunities to love people
- Be a disciple and/or disciple someone

Christ-shaped love is the willing self-sacrifice for the good of another that doesn't require reciprocation or that the person being loved is deserving.

Paul Tripp

Connect in Community

Ephesians 4:16

From him [Christ] the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

- Join a group! Go online nview.org and sign up!
- Start a group!
- Invite a family for a meal

- Attend a men's or women's event
- Try out Young Adults on Mondays at 6:30pm at North Creek Country Church
- Stay after church service and introduce yourself to someone you haven't met yet

Love Generously

Luke 10:25

But a Samaritan, as he traveled, came where the man was; and when he saw him, he took pity on him. He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine, Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him, The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. 'Look after him,' he said, 'and when I return, I will reimburse you for an extra expense you may have.'

- Gift someone your time
- Ask God what he would do with your money
- Find a neighbor in need and help
- Support the church financially
- Use your talents and willingness to serve the body

Reach the Lost

- Be a missionary in your own neighborhood.
- Have conversations. Find out what their life looks like.
- Love on people and support them as Jesus would, invite them to dinner, borrow some sugar, lend a tool...
- Name 5 people that you can be intentional with this year.
- Pray for them and look for opportunities to engage.

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Live Generously

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2 Peter 1:5-7

For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love.