

Gospel (keys to serve God)

- ❖ Mission - reveal His word in the proclamation
- ❖ #1 Elders (true shepherd vs wolf in Sheep's Clothing:lie, \$)
- ❖ #2 Church family (Holy, Sound doctrine)
- ❖ #3 Truth Christian (born again, Sound doctrine)

Mission

1 Paul, a bond-servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ,
for the faith of those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to
godliness,

2 in the **hope of eternal life**, which God, who **cannot lie**, promised long ages ago, 3 but at
the proper time **revealed His word in the proclamation** with which I was **entrusted** according
to the commandment of God our Savior; Titus 1:1-3

Elders: Holy - Godly

6 namely, if any man is **beyond reproach**,
the husband of one wife, having children who believe,
not accused of indecent behavior or rebellion.

7 For the overseer must be beyond reproach as God's steward, not **self-willed**, not quick-tempered, not overindulging in wine, not a bully, not **greedy for money**,

8 but hospitable, loving what is good, self-controlled, righteous, holy, disciplined,
9 **holding firmly the faithful word which is in accordance with the teaching**, so that he will be
able both to exhort in **sound doctrine** and to **refute** those who contradict it. Titus 1:6-9

Amen - true worship (thirsty)

- ❖ 24 God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.”John4:24
- ❖ 7 Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a person sows, this he will also reap. 8 For the one who sows to his own flesh will reap destruction from the flesh, but the one who sows to the Spirit will reap eternal life from the Spirit.Galatians6:7-8

Church family: Holy - Godly

1 But *as* **for you**, proclaim the things which are fitting for **sound doctrine**.

2 **Older men** are to be temperate, dignified, self-controlled, sound in faith, in love, in perseverance.

3 **Older women** likewise are to be reverent in their behavior, not malicious gossips nor enslaved to much wine, teaching what is good,

4 *so that* they may encourage the **young women** to love their husbands, to love their children, **5** to be sensible, pure, workers at home, kind, being subject to their own husbands, so that the word of God will not be dishonored. **6** Likewise urge the **young men** to be sensible; **7** in all things show yourself *to be* an example of good deeds, *with* **purity** in doctrine, dignified, **8** *sound in* speech which is beyond reproach, so that the opponent will be put to shame, having nothing bad to say about us.

9 Urge **slaves** to be subject to their own masters in everything, to be pleasing, not argumentative, **10** not stealing, but showing all good *faith so that they will adorn the doctrine of God our Savior* in every respect.

Church family: Sound Doctrine Titus 2:11-15

11 For the **grace** of God has appeared, bringing **salvation** to all people,

12 instructing us to deny ungodliness and worldly desires and to live sensibly, righteously, and in a godly manner in the present age, 13 looking for the **blessed hope** and the appearing of the **glory** of our great God and Savior, Christ Jesus, 14 who gave Himself for us to redeem us from every lawless deed, and to purify for Himself a people for **His own possession**, eager for good deeds.

15 These things speak and exhort, and rebuke with all **authority**. No one is to disregard you.

True Christian - Past and present (born again) Titus 3:1-11

1 Remind them to be **subject** to rulers, to authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good deed,
2 to slander no one, not to be contentious, to be gentle, showing every consideration for all people.

3 **For** we too were once foolish, disobedient, deceived, enslaved to various lusts and pleasures,
spending our life in malice and envy, hateful, hating one another.

4 **But** when the **kindness** of God our Savior and His **love** for mankind appeared, 5 He **saved** us, not
on the basis of deeds which we did in righteousness, but in accordance with His mercy, by the
washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit, 6 whom He richly poured out upon us
through **Jesus Christ our Savior**, 7 so that being justified by His grace we would be made heirs
according to the hope of eternal life. 8 This statement is **trustworthy**; and concerning these things I
want you to speak confidently, so that those who have believed God will be careful to engage in good
deeds. ***These things are good and beneficial for people.***

9 But **avoid** foolish controversies and genealogies and strife and disputes about the Law, for they are
useless and worthless. 10 **Reject** a divisive person after a first and second warning, 11 knowing that
such a person has deviated from what is right and is sinning, being self-condemned.

Christ Alone - Salvation

- ❖ 12 And there is **salvation in no one else**; for there is **no other name under heaven** that has been given among mankind by which we must be saved.”(Acts4:12 NASB)
- ❖ 2 For I determined to know ***nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. (1 Corinthians2:2 NASB)***

Sound doctrine

- ❖ 1 Now I make known to you, brothers and sisters, the gospel which I **preached** to you, which you also **received**, in which you also **stand**, 2 by which you also are **saved**, if you ***hold firmly to the word*** which I preached to you, unless you believed in vain. 3 For I handed down to you as of **first importance** what I also received, **that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures**, (1 Corinthians 15:1-4 NASB)
- ❖ 13 In Him, you also, after listening to the **message of truth**, the *gospel of your salvation—having also believed*, you were **sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of the promise**, (Ephesians 1:13 NASB)
- ❖ 21 Now He who establishes us with you in Christ and anointed us is God, 22 who also **sealed us and gave us the Spirit in our hearts as a pledge**. (2 Corinthians 1:21-22 NASB)
- ❖ 3 revealing yourselves, that you are a letter of Christ, delivered by us, written not with ink but with the **Spirit of the living God**, not on tablets of stone but on **tablets of human hearts**. (2 Corinthians 3:3 NASB (new Testament))
- ❖ 1 Therefore there is now no condemnation at all for those who are in Christ Jesus. 2 For the **law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** has set you free from the law of sin and of death. (Romans 8:1-2 NASB)

Salvation - By faith (pivotal)

- ❖ 21 But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 but it is the righteousness of God through **faith** in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction, 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, 24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus, (Romans 3:21-24 NASB)
- ❖ 11 Now, that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident; for, “*the righteous one will live by faith.*” (Galatians 3:11 NASB)
- ❖ 38 But *My righteous one will live by faith*; And if he shrinks back, My soul has no pleasure in him. 39 But we are not among those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith for the safekeeping of the soul. (Hebrews 10:38-39 NASB)

image

- ❖ 26 Then God said, “Let Us make mankind in Our image, according to Our likeness; and let them rule over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the sky and over the livestock and over all the earth, and over every crawling thing that crawls on the earth.”

27 So God created man in His own image, in the image of God He created him;
male and female He created them.(Genesis 1:26-27 NASB)

- ❖ 17 Tell us then, what do You think? Is it permissible to pay a poll-tax to Caesar, or not?”
18 But Jesus perceived their malice, and said, “Why are you testing Me, you hypocrites?
19 Show Me the coin used for the poll-tax.” And they brought Him a denarius. 20 And He said to them, “Whose image and inscription is this?” 21 They said to Him, “Caesar’s.” Then He said to them, “Then pay to Caesar the things that are Caesar’s; and to God the things that are God’s.”(Matthew 22:17-21 NASB)

Hold on - Seal

- ❖ 8 Therefore do not be ashamed of the testimony of our Lord or of me His prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel according to the power of God, 9 who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to **His own purpose and grace**, which was granted to us in Christ Jesus from all eternity, 10 but has now been revealed by the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel, 11 for which I was appointed a preacher, an apostle, and a teacher. 12 For this reason I also suffer these things; but I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am convinced that He is able to protect what I have entrusted to Him until that day. 13 *Hold on to the example of sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus.* 14 Protect, through the Holy Spirit who dwells in us, the treasure which has been entrusted to you. (2 Timothy 1:3-14 NASB)

In Christ Alone

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In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength,
my song;
This Cornerstone,
this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest
drought and storm.
What heights of love,
what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled,
when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

耶稣是我 唯一盼望
祂是亮光 诗歌力量
永恒膀臂 真理根基
经风暴试炼 永耸立
无比大爱 奇妙平安
恐惧除尽 挣扎止息
作我安慰 作我万有
藏身在基督大爱里

There in the ground
His body lay
Light of the world
by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in
glorious Day
Up from the grave
he rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost
its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine -
Bought with the precious blood
of Christ.

在墓穴中 我主躺卧
生命之光 黑暗淹没
祂却复生 彻底得胜
冲破死荫 王权永恒
祂今站立 在荣耀里
罪恶毒钩 完全除去
我今属主 祂也属我
靠主耶稣 宝血买赎



In Christ alone!
Who took on flesh,
Fullness of God
in helpless babe!
This gift of love
and righteousness
Scorned by the ones
he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied
-
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of
Christ I live.

荣耀真神 竟成肉身
永恒真道 降生马棚
如此大爱 属天公义
却被罪人 藐视厌弃
直到救主 舍身十架
上帝愤怒 才得平息
因祂担当 我众罪孽
今活在十架恩典里

No guilt in life,
no fear in death,
This is the power of
Christ in me;
From life's first cry
to final breath.
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell,
no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me
from His hand;
Till He returns
or calls me home,
Here in the power of
Christ I'll stand.

生活无愧 死亡无畏
基督大能 藏生命内
从母胎起 直到安息
一生日子 握祂手里
黑暗势力 人间诡计
永不使我 与主远离
直到祂来 将我接去
靠基督大能 我站立

Fruits - Live As He is

- ❖ 20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. Gal2:20 我已经与基督同钉十字架，现在活着的不再是我，乃是基督在我里面活着；并且我如今在肉身活着，是因信神的儿子而活；他是爱我，为我舍己。

Love - renew , put on Jesus

- ❖ 1 Therefore I urge you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a **living and holy sacrifice**, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the **renewing of your mind**, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. (Romans 12:1-2 NASB)
- ❖ 10 and have ***put on the new self***, which is being **renewed** to a true knowledge according to the image of the One who created it— (Colossians 3:10 NASB)

Love -renew, put on Jesus

- ❖ 20 But you did not learn Christ in this way, 21 if indeed you have heard Him and have been taught in Him, just as truth is in Jesus, 22 that, in reference to your former way of life, you are to rid yourselves of the old self, which is being corrupted in accordance with the lusts of deceit, 23 and that you are to be **renewed in the spirit of your minds**, 24 and to ***put on the new self***, which in the likeness of God has been created in righteousness and holiness of the truth.(Ephesians 4:20-24 NASB)
- ❖ 13 Let's behave properly as in the day, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual promiscuity and debauchery, not in strife and jealousy. 14 ***But put on the Lord Jesus Christ***, and make no provision for the flesh in regard to its lusts.(Romans 13:13-14 NASB)

Love - As He is

But the fruit of the Spirit is
LOVE, JOY, PEACE,
PATIENCE, KINDNESS,
GOODNESS, FAITHFULNESS,
GENTLENESS, SELF-CONTROL.

against
such things
there is no
law.

(Galatians 5:22, 23 ESV)

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Moments of truth

- ❖ Joseph : How then could I do this great evil, and sin against God?
Gen39:9
- ❖ Ruth : But Ruth said, “Do not plead with me to leave you *or* to turn back from following you; for where you go, I will go, and where you sleep, I will sleep. Your people *shall be* my people, and your God, my God.
- ❖ Nicodemus : Rabbi, we know that You have come from God *as* a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him.” Jesus responded and said to him, “*Truly, truly, I say to you, unless someone is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.*”

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- ❖ The Adulterous Woman (1) - Jesus said to her, “Woman, where are they? Did no one condemn you?” She said, “No one, Lord.” And Jesus said, **“I do not condemn you, either. Go. From now on do not sin any longer.”** Then Jesus again spoke to them, saying, “I am the Light of the world; the one who follows Me will not walk in the darkness, but will have the Light of life.”
- ❖ The Poor Widow’s 2 coins: And He said, **“Truly I say to you, this poor widow put in more than all of them; for they all contributed to the offering from their surplus; but she, from her poverty, put in all that she had to live on.”** Luke 21
- ❖ Mary Anoints Jesus—John 14 Mary then took a pound of very expensive perfume of pure nard, and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped His feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of His disciples, the one who intended to betray Him, *said, “Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and *the proceeds* given to poor *people*?” Now he said this, not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief, and as he kept the money box, he used to steal from what was put into it. Therefore Jesus said, **“Leave her alone, so that she may keep it for the day of My burial. For you always have the poor with you, but you do not always have Me.”**
———-“Leave her alone! Why are you bothering her? She has done a good deed for Me. For you always have the poor with you, and whenever you want, you can do good to them; but you do not always have Me. She has done what she could; she has anointed My body beforehand for the burial. Truly I say to you, wherever the gospel is preached in the entire world, what this woman has done will also be told in memory of her.” (Mark 14)

Moments of truth

- ❖ Peter's Confession of Christ: ¹⁵He said to them, "But who do you yourselves say that I am?" ¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God." ¹⁷And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal *this* to you, but *My Father who is in heaven*. ¹⁸And I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it. ¹⁹**I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven.**"

Revelation - Jesus's return



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A True Christian

- ❖ Born Again: (obey)
- ❖ Hold firmly on sound doctrine:
 - salvation by grace,
 - Holy spirit,
 - sealed as heirs
- ❖ Sanctification (Exodus)

A True Christian -Born again

- ❖ 3 Jesus responded and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless someone is born again he cannot **see** the kingdom of God.” ...5 Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless someone is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot **enter** the kingdom of God. John 3:3,5
- ❖ 20 I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, **but** Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me. Galatians 2:20
- ❖ 17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, this person is **a new creation**; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. 2 Corinthians 5:17
- ❖ 3 Or do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus have been baptized into His death? 4 Therefore we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we **too may walk in newness of life**. Romans 6:3-4

A True Christian - Trust & Obey

- ❖ 3 **how will we escape if we neglect so great a salvation?** After it was at first spoken through the Lord, it was confirmed to us by those who heard, Hebrews 2:3
- ❖ 12 Take care, brothers and sisters, that there will not be in any one of you an **evil, unbelieving heart** that falls away from the living God. Hebrews 3:12
- ❖ 24 For “the name of God is **blasphemed** among the Gentiles because of you,” just as it is written. Romans 2:24
- ❖ 19 For as through the one man’s **disobedience** the many were made sinners, so also through the **obedience of the One** the many will be made righteous. Romans 5:19

A True Christian -Be like Christ, total submission

- ❖ 5 Have this **attitude** in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, 6 who, as He already existed in the form of God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, 7 but emptied Himself by taking the form of a bond-servant and being born in the likeness of men. 8 And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming **obedient** to the point of death: death on a cross. 9 **For this reason** also God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, 10 **so that** at the name of Jesus every knee will bow, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, 11 and **that** every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Philippians 2:5-11

A True Christian - total submission

- ❖ 1 Therefore I **urge** you, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to **present** your bodies as a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship. 2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the **renewing** of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect. Romans 12:1-2
- ❖ 8 Although He was a Son, He learned **obedience** from the things which He suffered. Hebrews 5:8
- ❖ 28 When Jesus had finished these words, the crowds were amazed at His teaching; 29 for He was teaching them as one who had **authority**, and not as their scribes. Matthew 7:28-29
- ❖ 20 For the kingdom of God is not in words, but in **power**. 1 Corinthians 4:20
- ❖ 17 for the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. Romans 14:17

A True Christian - First Born

Ministers of a New Covenant

- ❖ 9 But you are a chosen people, **a royal priesthood**, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 1 Peter 2:9
- ❖ 15 and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is inspired by God and beneficial for teaching, for rebuke, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man or woman of God may be fully capable, **equipped for every good work**. 2 Timothy 3:15-17

A True Christian - 'do you love Me?'

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- ❖ 17 He *said to him the third time, “Simon, son of John, do you love Me?” Peter was hurt because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.” Jesus *said to him, “**Tend My sheep**. John 21:17

A True Christian - First Born

*church of the firstborn who are **enrolled** in heaven*

- ❖ 22 But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to myriads of angels, 23 to the general assembly and **church of the firstborn** who are **enrolled** in heaven, and to God, the Judge of all, and to the spirits of the righteous made perfect, 24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than the blood of Abel. Hebrews 12:22-24

Perfection submission - Blessed assurance

Blessed Assurance



Doctrine (def)

set of beliefs held and taught by a Church, Church basic teachings

❖ https://github.com/Amen712/Logos_meditation

Doctrine (def)

⁶For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. ⁷I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; ⁸in the future there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing.