

First Baptist Church – Odessa

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“The Pursuit of God”

“iChurch – Doing Church Intentionally – Pt. 2

Matthew 22:34-40 & Selected

A healthy New Testament church is relentless in its pursuit of the God of the Bible!

The Pursuit of God...

I. Is commanded in Scripture.

“Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” Vs. 36

II. Demands clear identification of the one true God.

“And He said, ‘You shall love the Lord your God....’” Vs. 37a

“And this is eternal life, that they know you the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.” John 17:3

III. Must be the all-consuming passion of the Church.

“And He said, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.’” Vs. 37

“As a deer pants for flowing streams, so pants my soul for you, O God. My soul thirsts for God, for the living God. When shall I come and appear before God?” Psalm 42:1-2

“We love because He first loved us.” 1 John 4:19

*“You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.”
Jeremiah 29:13*