

## 5 Smooth Stones

P2 - Core Values of a Life Giving Person  
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### INTRODUCTION

Core Values are the things that are most important and will improve the quality of life. Our founding fathers gave us core values in the Bill of Rights, Declaration of Independence and Constitution. As long as we preserve and live by them we are a great nation under God.

God has given us the core values that are important for His people to live by and thereby become a great people who add value to others and improve their quality of life.

**NUMBER 1.** Jesus came to give life.

#### **JOHN 10:10,27-28**

The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have *it* more abundantly....My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. <sup>28</sup> And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand.

A. Quality of Life - Zoe, Divine or spiritual life.

#### **2 PETER 1:4**

by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption *that is* in the world through lust.

B. Abundance of Fruit

#### **GALATIANS 5:22-23**

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

C. Christianity improves quality of life naturally and spiritually.

D. People immigrate to America to improve quality of life and some eventually get saved.

**NUMBER 2.** How do we become that life giving person, the one who improves the quality of life.

- A. Evangelism - TELL THE STORY. **PROVERBS 11:30**; **DANIEL 12:3**, winning others is a process.

**PROVERBS 11:30**

The fruit of the righteous *is* a tree of life, And he who wins souls *is* wise.

**DANIEL 12:3**

Those who are wise shall shine Like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness Like the stars forever and ever.

- Tell the story by how I live.

**2 CORINTHIANS 3:2**

You are our epistle written in our hearts, known and read by all men;

**TITUS 2:11-14**

For the grace of God that brings salvation has appeared to all men, <sup>12</sup>teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly in the present age, <sup>13</sup>looking for the blessed hope and glorious appearing of our great God and Savior Jesus Christ, <sup>14</sup>who gave Himself for us, that He might redeem us from every lawless deed and purify for Himself *His* own special people, zealous for good works.

- Acts of kindness I do for others

**ACTS 9:36-40**

At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. <sup>37</sup> But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid *her* in an upper room. <sup>38</sup> And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring *him* not to delay in coming to them. <sup>39</sup> Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought *him* to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. <sup>40</sup> But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up

- Tell your story  
**MARK 5:19**  
 However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you."
- Tell His Story, the Gospel, Good News  
**ROMANS 1:15**  
 So, as much as is in me, *I am* ready to preach the gospel to you who are in Rome also.  
  
**1 JOHN 5:12**  
 He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life.
- INVITE A FRIEND SUNDAY - Labor Day "Believe Series"

#### B. Discipleship - TEACH OTHERS.

- We are all teachers of something. We teach what you have learned (ex.)  
**COLOSSIANS 3:16**  
 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.
- It is expected of spiritually mature believers. (Babies don't teach but just eat, create work for others, need cleaned up and supervised.)  
**HEBREWS 5:12-14**  
 For though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need *someone* to teach you again the first principles of the oracles of God; and you have come to need milk and not solid food. <sup>13</sup>For everyone who partakes *only* of milk *is* unskilled in the word of righteousness, for he is a babe. <sup>14</sup>But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, *that is*, those who by reason of use have their senses exercised to discern both good and evil.
- Paul expected his disciples to disciple other, teach them the way.  
**2 TIMOTHY 2:1-2**  
 You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. <sup>2</sup>And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.

- Parasites or Protégés.
- Three dimensional biblical relationships, Paul-Barnabas-Timothy (Rebecca's coaching)

### C. Fellowship - TALK TO OTHERS

- "One Another's" suggest a relationship of community.

#### **JOHN 13:34-35**

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another; as I have loved you, that you also love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

- Christians are family members.

#### **JOHN 20:17**

Jesus said to her, "Do not cling to Me, for I have not yet ascended to My Father; but go to My brethren and say to them, 'I am ascending to My Father and your Father, and to My God and your God.'"

- Love of the brethren is normal for family.

#### **1 JOHN 3:14**

We know that we have passed from death to life, because we love the brethren. He who does not love *his* brother abides in death.

- We do life with people we love, families pray, eat, work, play and share common values/goals.
- Start up of Community Groups on Sept.6th.
- Continue learning the Sunday am message.
- Contribute to one another's walk
- Care for one another

## CONCLUSION

The Core Values are how we move from Going to Church to Being the Church.