

KNOW YOUR CHURCH, LOVE YOUR CHURCH

The Design and Destiny of the Body of Christ

(Ephesians 5:25-27; Matthew 16:18-19)

"Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved the church and gave Himself up for her. 26 that He might sanctify her having cleansed her by the washing of water with the Word. 27 So that He might present the church to Himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish."

The first challenge facing the church is ...**Biblical Illiteracy.**

The second challenge facing the church is ... **Boredom.**

The third challenge facing the church is ... **Consumer Christians.**

The fourth challenge facing the church ... **The Idol of Autonomy.**

The fifth challenge to the church ... **An Aversion to Commitment.**

COMMON VIEWS, COMMON VALUES,
COMMON VISION and COMMON VENTURES!

What is Our Vision or Mission Statement?

The Gate Church of the High Desert exists to Redeem People and Renew Creation by Making Disciples, Creating Community and Revealing the Kingdom of God.

Where? In the Victor Valley.

How? Through Compassionate Evangelism, Christian Education, Corporate Edification and Cultural Engagement.

❖ **Redeem People and Renew Creation** (II Corinthians 5:11, 17-21)

❖ **Making Disciples, Creating Community and Revealing the Kingdom**
(Matthew 28:18-20)

- Making Disciples

- Personally
- Marriages
- Family
- Family and Friends

- Creating Community

- Reveal the Kingdom of God

- Taking Ground (Jude 3; I Samuel 11:1; John 14:30)
- Righteous Identity (Ephesians 6:14; Roman 5:17)