

#### Uncommon – Part 2 – Uncommon Commitment Mark Rouse – mark@epicchurchbuffalo.com February 5, 2017

Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. – Romans 12:2

### THE WORLD'S WAY

- 1. <u>FIND</u> the right person.
- 2. <u>FALL</u> in love.
- 3. Fix all your hopes and dreams on THEM.
- 4. If <u>FAILURE</u> occurs, repeat steps 1, 2 & 3.

### GOD'S WAY

- 1. <u>BECOME</u> the right person.
- 2. WALK in love.
- 3. Fix all your hopes and dreams on <u>GOD</u>.
- 4. If <u>FAILURE</u> occurs, repeat steps 1, 2 & 3.

Lord, who may dwell in your sacred tent? Who may live on your holy mountain? 4... who keeps an oath even when it hurts, and does not change their mind. – Psalm 15:1, 4

Uncommon Commitment: Staying <u>LOYAL</u> to what you said you would do long after the <u>MOOD</u> you said it in left you. For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength – Philippians 4:13

# 1) I commit to <u>PRIORITIZE</u> you.

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters. – 1 John 3:16

### 2) I commit to <u>PURSUE</u> you.

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me. – Revelation 3:20

### 3) I commit to <u>POSSESS</u> you.

You are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God's very own possession. – 1 Peter 2:9

## 4) I commit to <u>PROTECT</u> you.

The Lord keeps you from all harm and watches over your life. – Psalm 121:7

# 5) I commit to <u>PURIFY</u> you.

For husbands, this means love your wives, just as Christ loved the church. He gave up his life for her **26** to make her holy and clean, washed by the cleansing of God's word. **27** He did this to present her to himself as a glorious church without a spot or wrinkle or any other blemish. Instead, she will be holy and without fault. – Ephesians 5:25-27