

Vision Sunday
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I. Introduction

- a. It is important to always increase in our love for God, people and life.
 - i. When we do, we make a bigger impact in the lives of others.
- b. The best way to make a positive impact is to get involved in our local church.
 - i. Attend regularly
 - ii. Volunteer to help out with services and events.
 - iii. People who are already fully involved can help others become involved.

1 Peter 4:10 NIV

¹⁰ Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

II. Reasons why people do not get involved with the local church

- a. They do not know how.
 - i. Not knowing how to do something should never be a hindrance to trying. The solution to not knowing is to ask until you find someone who has your answer.
- b. They have problems in their lives.
 - i. Problems will always be present.
 - 1. God allows problems in our lives so that we can learn how to overcome and still be effective through them.
 - ii. We shouldn't let our problems hinder us from helping others out of their problems.
 - 1. When we give back, God gives us purpose beyond our problems.
 - a. When we are more focused on our purpose than our problems, we find healing from sadness, depression and hopelessness.
 - 2. God wants for each of us to realize our purpose.
 - a. When we seek his face and serve him according to his will, he will reveal it to us.