

Reflecting on Moving Forward – Part Two

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Introduction: This week's message is the second in a four-part series on *Moving Forward*. Our key word for this study is ***Prioritize***.

In this study, we consider Christ's teaching on the greatest commandments to reveal what our highest priority should be: loving God and loving others. The rest of the message helps us think carefully about whether these priorities (loving God and loving others) are just our stated priorities or are our actual priorities.

Questions for Self-Reflection and Discussion

1. How do we determine what our priorities should be?

2. How do we determine what our priorities actually are?

3. Why is there a gap for most Christians between what they say their priorities are and what their priorities actually are?

4. Where does this gap (between stated and actual priorities) exist in your life? What has caused this gap to arise?

5. In John 14:15, Jesus tells us that if we love God we will keep his commandments. This week's message highlights three commands related to spiritual growth:

- The need to hear and obey the Word
- The importance of yielding to the work of the Holy Spirit
- The command to partake in the fellowship of the believers

Question 5 continues below

First, give yourself a grade (A-F) on each of these commands and discuss your marks with your group.

Second, consider this question: what do these grades say about the actual state of your priorities?

6. What is the biggest adjustment needed in your life so that your life reflects the priorities God intends for you to have?