

“Therefore:” The Logical Lifestyle of a Hopeful Minority
“Therefore, Grow: Grow Up In a Community Group!”

Ephesians 4:7–15
The Lord’s Day Morning
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What is the mission of First Bible Church? Our mission is to glorify God by helping people know, love, obey, and exalt Jesus Christ. *How* do we accomplish this mission? First Bible Church pursues a three-stage approach in helping people know, love, obey, and exalt Jesus Christ:

_____ → _____ → _____ → *To know, love, obey, and exalt Jesus Christ* → *To glorify God*

Before he created the world, Jesus had a plan to help each of us grow.

1. Jesus _____ the church through his humiliation, vindication, and exaltation (7–10).
2. Jesus gave apostles and prophets to the church for its _____ (11a).
3. Jesus gives evangelists and pastor-teachers to the church to _____ every believer to be builders (11b–12).
4. Jesus produces _____ Christians who know God’s Word and imitate God’s Son (13–15).
5. Jesus does this in both _____ and _____ groups (Acts 19:9; 20:20; 2 Tim. 2:2).