Emmanuel's Core Values – G.R.A.C.E.

- G GOSPEL. Faith alone in Jesus Christ alone is the only means of obtaining eternal life.
- R REIGN. The future reign of Christ and the distinction between Israel and the church is foundational to understanding history and the future.
- A ACTION. All believers should become mature disciples of Christ, understanding that their service will be rewarded at the judgment seat of Christ.
- C CONTEXT. The infallible Word of God is taught contextually, verse by verse, and book by book.
- E Eternal Security. Those who have received eternal life by faith in Christ will never lose that life.

Emmanuel's Vision:

To be a growing church that proclaims the grace of God through simplicity of faith, security of family, and joy of fellowship.

To be – There is a future element. It is not who we were but who we desire to be. Vision is seeing what God wants us to be. This implies activity, strategy, planning, and involvement by everyone.

a growing church – Not necessarily numerical growth, although a healthy church will grow numerically. Spiritual growth for all members is foundational to our vision.

"But the goal of our instruction is love from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith."

1 Timothy 1:5

"But solid food is for the mature, who because of practice have their senses trained to discern good and evil. Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about Christ, let us press on to maturity..."

Hebrews 5:14-6:1

that proclaims the grace of God – God's grace is the backdrop for everything we do. The gospel we proclaim is based on God's grace, demonstrated in Jesus Christ.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, that no one should boast."

Ephesians 2:8-9

"For the grace of God has appeared, bring salvation to all men, instructing us...."

Titus 2:11-14

through simplicity of faith – Faith alone in Jesus Christ alone is the only means of receiving eternal life.

- "Truly, truly, I say to you, He who believes in Me has eternal life. John 6:47
- John 3:16, 20:31, Acts 16:31, Romans 3:21-28, Gal. 2:16, etc.

security of family – Eternal security is promised by God to everyone who believes in His Son. It is a present possession.

"And I give eternal life to them, and they shall never perish; and not one shall snatch them our of My hand." John 10:28

Romans 8:31-39, Ephesians 1:7-14, 20, 2:6, etc.

and joy of fellowship. – As children we have the privilege of relationship with Jesus and the Father. Part of eternal life is the experience of knowing God.

"And this is eternal life, that they may know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom Thou has sent." John 17:3

"...these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy made full in themselves."

John 17:13

1 John 1:3-2:2, Philippians 3:10, Romans 14:17, etc.