

Be a People Person
Discover Church
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Discover God - Discover Purpose - Discover Community

"We have created a church with non-judgmental environments for people to DISCOVER who God is, DISCOVER their unique Purpose and DISCOVER authentic Community."

"Be wise in the way you act toward outsiders; make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be always full of grace, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how to answer everyone." Colossians 4:5-6

"Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:36-40

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

Self-Awareness is a superpower

SIX STEPS FOR CONNECTING WITH PEOPLE

"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good." Romans 12:9-21

1. Don't take people for **granted**

"Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves." Romans 12:9-10

"Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others. In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:3-5

2. Initiate **movement** toward people as you practice hospitality

“Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality.” Romans 2:13

“Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God’s law but am under Christ’s law), so as to win those not having the law. To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all people so that by all possible means I might save some. I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings.” 1 Corinthians 9:19-23

3. Possess a **make-a-difference** mind set

“For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” Ephesians 2:10

I am **forgiven** through **Jesus**,

accepted by the **Father** and

empowered by the **Spirit**.

“Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.” Galatians 6:9-10

4. Seek **Harmony** and **Unity** in our differences

“Live in harmony with one another.” Romans 12:16

“Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor.” 1 Peter 2:17

Sanguine – desires fun; is outgoing and optimistic

Melancholy – desires perfection; is introverted, task-oriented, and pessimistic

Phlegmatic – desires peace, is introverted, and pessimistic

Choleric – desires power or control, is strong-willed, and optimistic

5. Communicate from the **heart**

“Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.” Proverbs 4:23

6. Live in **Peace** with others

“If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.” Romans 2:18

“So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.” Matthew 7:12

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Scripture: Colossians 4:5-6; Matthew 22:36-40; Matthew 28:19-20; Romans 12:9-21; Philippians 2:3-5; Romans 2:13; 1 Corinthians 9:19-23; Ephesians 2:10; Galatians 6:9-10; 1 Peter 2:17; Proverbs 4:23; Matthew 7:12