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Title: *Our Design: Accomplishing Our Purpose Together*
Text: Colossians 1:16

Introduction:



Memory Verse

Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God. (Ephesians 2:19)

Big Idea

When we discover our purpose, we bring clarity to our existence.

Let's look at five purposes of Loudoun Baptist Church.

I) Loudoun Baptist Church exists to _____.
a) Through _____ (Acts 2:42)

And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine...and in prayers. (Acts 2:42)

b) Through _____ (Acts 2:47)

Praising God, and having favour with all the people. The Lord added to the church...(Acts 2:47)

c) Through _____ (Deuteronomy 10:20).

Thou shalt fear the LORD...**to him shalt thou cleave**, and swear by his name. (Deut. 10:20)

II) Loudoun Baptist Church exists for _____.

And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men...(Acts 2:45)

a) Ministry involves _____ (Matthew 5:44)

But I say unto you... bless them...do good to them...and pray for them...(Matthew 5:44)

b) Ministry involves _____ (Mark 9:41)

Whosoever shall give...in my name...he shall not lose his reward. (Mark 9:41)

c) Ministry involves _____ (Ephesians 4:11-12)

And he gave some...pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: (Ephesians 4:11-12)

III) Loudoun Baptist Church Exists to _____ the Unchurched

a) Evangelism is of primary _____ . Christ mentioned it 5 times. (Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Luke 24:47-48; John 20:21; Acts 1:8)

And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witness of these things. (Luke 24:47-48)

Then said Jesus to them...as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. (John 20:21)

IV) Loudoun Baptist Church exists to bring people into _____ with believers.
And they continued steadfastly in... fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers. And all that believed were together... And they, continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking of bread from house to house... (Acts 2:42,44,46)

a) Fellowship is initiated through _____ (Acts 2:41)
Then they that gladly received his word were baptized: and the same day there were added unto them about three thousand souls. (Acts 2:41)

b) Jesus _____ baptism (Matthew 28:19-20)
Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ... (Matthew 28:19-20)

c) The early Christians _____ baptism (Acts 8:12)
But when they believed Philip preaching ... they were baptized... (Acts 8:12)

V) Loudoun Baptist Church exists to _____ believers.
And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine ... (Acts 2:42)

a) The goal of the Christian life is _____ (Ephesians 4:13)
Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: (Ephesians 4:13)

b) The process to Christlikeness is training in the local church. (Matthew 28:20)
Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Matthew 28:20)

Conclusion:

As the reason for our existence becomes more clear, your commitment to our objectives should become more passionate.

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