

Pursuing a Godly Life

Serving Your Community

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"...for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come."

1 Timothy 4:7-8 (ESV)

Big Idea: Pursuing a Godly Life benefits you now and will leave a legacy when you die.

1 -The Church is _____, not a _____

2 -The Church is a _____

HOW?

We pursue godliness by _____ godliness with our:

I. _____
- Psalm 139:13-16 - Psalm 90:12

II. _____

1. _____ **of Widows and Orphans.**- James 1:27 (Religion = External Worship – Personal Display of how you love God)
2. _____ **people to fear God.**- Deuteronomy 14:22-23 (Fear = in awe of; revere)
3. **You can be** _____. - Malachi 3:8-12

III. _____

1. **Brings** _____ **to God** – Matthew 5:16
2. **Brings Others** _____ **to God** – Matthew 5:16
3. **Brings us a** _____ – Matthew 25

WHERE?

- Acts 1:6-9
- Jerusalem – Their City
 - Judea – Their Region
 - Samaria – Outside their area
 - Ends of the Earth

WHY?

Matthew 28:16-20 - **Because** _____!

Jesus _____, _____, and _____ them as leaders.

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Discuss and Apply

Use the following questions to help you formulate age-appropriate questions to stimulate meaningful conversations. Please share your ideas and experiences with us at connect@manna.church.

1. How can you utilize your specific talents and abilities to serve your church and community effectively?
 2. What steps can you take to prioritize and allocate your time and resources toward serving others in alignment with the great commission?
 3. Are there any specific areas within your church or community where you feel a calling to serve, and what steps can you take to get involved in those areas?
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Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We come before you and thank you for giving us the great commission "to go and make disciples of all nations." Please give us your guidance and strength; empower us to step out with boldness and compassion, ready to serve our church and community with willing hearts. Help us to identify and utilize our unique gifts for the benefit of others, always keeping your love and truth at the forefront of our actions. Lord, we ask for wisdom in prioritizing our time, resources, and commitments. May we be good stewards of the blessings you have bestowed upon us, using them to advance your kingdom and spread your message of hope and salvation. Fill us with your Holy Spirit, that we may walk in obedience and fulfill the great commission with passion and zeal.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

At Manna, We Believe the Church is people, NOT a building!

The church is where two or more people gather in Jesus' Name. We believe that ministry can occur through you wherever you are: at home, on the job, or at a kid's soccer game. Wherever you are, you bring the Kingdom of God.