



6 Keys to T.H.R.I.V.E.
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2021 Skyline Church Word of the Year: THRIVE

"I have come that you might have life and have it more abundantly."

JOHN 10:10 | NIV

6 Keys to THRIVE in 2021

T otal commitment

H ave a quiet time

R emember to rejoice

I ncrease your faith

V alue the church family

"Because of Christ and our faith in him, we can now come boldly and confidently into God's presence. So please don't lose heart because of my trials here. I am suffering for you, so you should feel honored.

When I think of all this, I fall to my knees and pray to the Father, the Creator of everything in heaven and on earth. I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be

made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God.

Now all glory to God, who is able, through his mighty power at work within us, to accomplish infinitely more than we might ask or think. Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever! Amen."

EPHESIANS 3:12-21 | NLT

1 Skyline Core Value: You'll Never Walk Alone. (Fellowship)

"... God's household, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and foundation of the truth."

1 TIMOTHY 3:15 | NIV

"They joined with the other believers in regular attendance at the apostles' teaching sessions and at the Communion services and prayer meetings."

ACTS 2:42 | LB

2 Church is essential.

"Let us not neglect our church meetings, as some people do, but encourage and warn each other, especially now that the day of his coming back xperiences."

HEBREWS 10:25 | LB

3 There are no perfect churches.

"Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,
my God, in whom I trust."

Surely he will save you
from the fowler's snare
and from the deadly pestilence.
He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.
You will not fear the terror of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,
nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
nor the plague that destroys at midday.
A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.
You will only observe with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.

If you say, "The Lord is my refuge,"
and you make the Most High your dwelling,
no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.
For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;"

PSALM 91:1-11 | NIV

"Because he loves me,' says the Lord, 'I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
He will call on me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.
With long life I will satisfy him
and show him my salvation.'"

PSALM 91:14-16 | NIV

"It is good to give thanks to the LORD, to sing praises to the Most High. It is good to proclaim your unending love in the morning, your faithfulness in the evening."

PSALM 92:1-2 | NLT

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

ROMANS 12:2 | NLT

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In order to thrive, I must commit to a church family.

"As they traveled from town to town, they presented the simple guidelines the Jerusalem apostles and leaders had come up with. That turned out to be most helpful. Day after day the congregations became stronger in faith and larger in size."

ACTS 16:4-5 | MSG

Small Group Questions

1 Share one thing that stood out to you in this week's sermon and why?

2 Ask a member of your group to read 1 Timothy 3:15 & Acts 2:42.

- Share the "short version" of how you became a part of Skyline Church.
- **How has coming to church helped strengthen your walk with the Lord?**
- **Would you feel like you are missing something if you didn't have the church community in your life? Share why or why not?**

3 Are there any areas in your life you feel the Lord asking you to "commit" more fully? (You could commit to serving, tithing, showing up more regularly, etc.)

4 How can we be praying for you this week?