

Our Mission

"To raise disciples of Christ who passionately pursue God and boldly proclaim the gospel."

Our Vision

"To be a community of disciple-makers."

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WHY WE EXIST

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AND

VISION



Three Key Points:

1. To Raise Disciples of Christ
2. Who Passionately Pursue God
3. Boldly Proclaim the Gospel

1. **Raise Disciples** of Christ

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Disciple = follower

¹⁸ "Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ 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, ²⁰ 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 28:18-20

**Being a disciple of Christ
comes with **action**.**

What makes a disciple?

⁵ "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you **remain in me** and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷ If you remain in me and **my words remain in you**, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. ⁸ This is to my Father's glory, that you **bear much fruit**, showing yourselves **to be my disciples.**"

John 15:5-8

21 "Not everyone who says to me, 'Lord, Lord,' will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. 22 Many will say to me on that day, 'Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name and in your name drive out demons and in your name perform many miracles?' 23 Then I will tell them plainly, 'I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!'"

• **Matthew 7:21-23**

Why and how should we *raise* disciples?

¹¹ "So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹² to **equip** his people for works of service, so that the **body of Christ** may be **built up** ¹³ until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-13

"And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to **teach others also."**

2 Timothy 2:2

2. Who **Passionately Pursue** God

What does it mean to **pursue** God?

"But **seek first the kingdom of God and his righteousness,
and all these things will be added to you."**

Matthew 6:33

"You have said, 'Seek my face.' My heart says to you, 'Your face, Lord, do I seek.'

Psalm 27:8

"Seek the Lord and his strength; seek his presence continually."

Psalm 105:4

**"Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John,
and perceived that they were uneducated, common
men, they were astonished. **And they recognized that
they had been with Jesus.**"**

Acts 4:13

**What does it mean to
passionately pursue God?**

"The passion is in the pursuit"

"...O God, you are my God; **earnestly** I seek you; my soul thirsts for you; my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water."

Psalm 63:1

¹"As the deer **pants** for streams of water, so **my soul pants for you**, my God. ² **My soul thirsts for God**, for the living God. When can I go and meet with God?"

Psalm 42:1-2

“With **my whole heart I seek you; let me not wander
from your commandments!”**

Psalm 119:10

3. **Boldly Proclaim** the Gospel

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, **and to the ends of the earth.**"

Acts 1:8

"Now when they saw the **boldness** of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated, common men, they were astonished. **And they recognized that they had been with Jesus.**"

Acts 4:13

"And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with **boldness"**

Acts 4:31

"Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will **fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel"**

Ephesians 6:19

"For I am **not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek."**

Romans 1:16

