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Growing and Building Ourselves Up in Love

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Memory Verse:

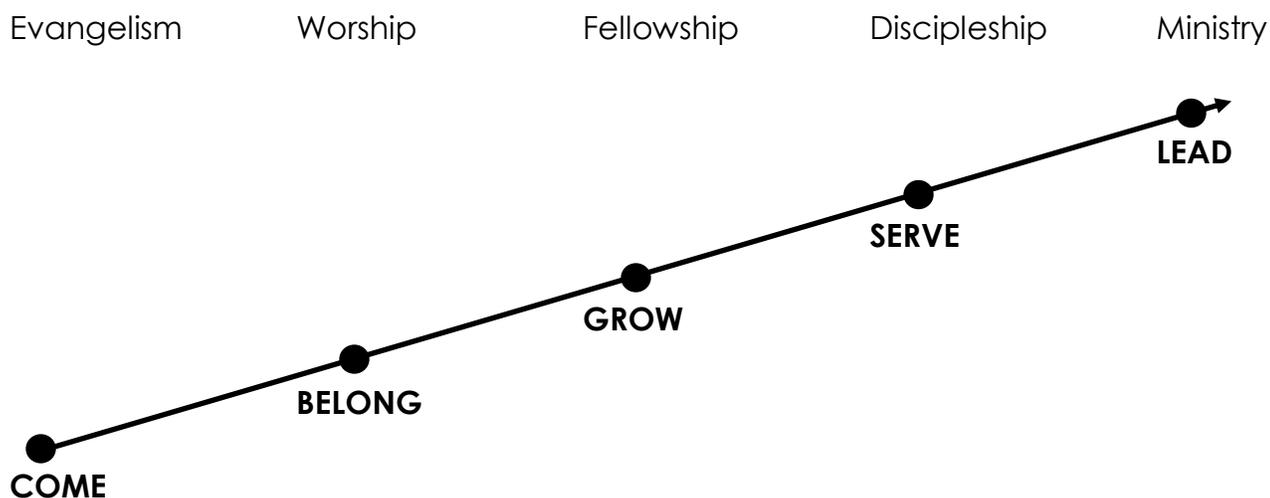
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WHO are we and WHAT are we all about?

The Great Commission Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go **[EVANGELISM]** and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them **[FELLOWSHIP]** in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching **[DISCIPLESHIP]** them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The Great Commandment Matthew 22:36-40 "Teacher, which is the greatest commandment in the Law?" Jesus replied: "'Love the Lord your God **[WORSHIP]** 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 **[MINISTRY]** as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments."

Our mission: We are becoming a fellowship of believers who know God and make Him known.



Proverbs 4:18 The path of the righteous is like the morning sun, shining ever brighter till the full light of day.

A personal faith...a personal revelation...a personal relationship with God

Ephesians 1:18 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, ¹⁹ and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

A corporate faith...a corporate authority...a corporate calling

Ephesians 2:6-10 ⁶And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, ⁷in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus. ⁸For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— ⁹not by works, so that no one can boast. ¹⁰For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

We are being built together into a dwelling place for God's presence

Ephesians 2:22 ²²And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

We're all a necessary part in each other's growth and development.

Ephesians 4:11-13,16 ¹¹ So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, ¹²to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up ¹³until 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. ¹⁶From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

Life Group Discussion:

1. Discuss the memory verse and how this applies to every one of us.
Ephesians 4:16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.
2. Where do you see yourself along the process of COME, BELONG, GROW, SERVE, LEAD. What are you primarily working on right now? What "next step" in your growth are you considering?
3. What about the church excites you?
4. What part do you see yourself currently playing? How are you seeing yourself adding value to others around you? What are you looking forward to getting involved with?
5. What dreams has God put in your heart for the future? How are you pursuing these dreams?

