

- John 15:8, NIV – (8) *This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.*

Action Step(s) For Maximum Discipleship Benefit:

SERVICE/MINISTRY

- Luke 10:27, NIV – [Jesus] *answered: ... “Love your neighbor as yourself.”*
- Luke 6:31, NIV – (31) *Do to others as you would have them do to you.*
- Mark 9:35, NIV – (35) ... *“If anyone wants to be first, he must be the very last, and the servant of all.”*
- Galatians 5:13, NIV – (13) *You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.*
- 1 Peter 4:10, NIV – (10) *Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.*
- Ephesians 6:7, NIV – (7) *Serve wholeheartedly, as if you were serving the Lord, not men.*

Action Step(s) For Maximum Service Benefit:

EVANGELISM

- Matthew 28:19-20, NIV – (19) *“Therefore go and make disciples of all nations ...*
- Matthew 4:23, NIV – (23) *Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.*
- Luke 4:18-19, NIV – *“(18) The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed, (19) to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.”*

Action Step(s) For Maximum Evangelism Benefit:

CHURCH LIFE

Part 1 – How To Maximize Your Attendance Benefits

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YOUR FIVE UNIVERSAL PURPOSES

The Great Commandment

- Luke 10:27, NIV – [Jesus] *answered: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”; and, “Love your neighbor as yourself.”*
1. Worship – loving the Lord with all your heart, soul, strength and mind
 2. Service – loving your neighbor as yourself

The Great Commission

- Matthew 28:19-20, NIV – (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.”*
3. Evangelism – going
 4. Fellowship – baptizing them into the body of Christ
 5. Discipleship – teaching them to obey

THE KEY: ENGAGE

WORSHIP

Psalm 100:1-5, NIV – (1) *Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. (2) Worship the LORD with gladness; come before him with joyful songs. (3) Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture. (4) Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. (5) For the LORD is good and his love endures forever; his faithfulness continues through all generations.*

1. Thankful Worship – Verse 5 (3 Reasons)

- a) The Lord is good
- 1 Peter 5:7, NIV – (7) *Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you.*

b) His love endures forever

- 1 John 3:1, NIV – (1) *How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are!*

c) His faithfulness continues through all generations

- 2 Corinthians 1:20, NIV – (20) *For no matter how many promises God has made, they are “Yes” in Christ. And so through him the “Amen” is spoken by us to the glory of God.*

2. **Joyful Worship – Verse 3,4 (3 Reasons)**

a) He made us

- Psalm 139:14, NIV – (14) *I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.*

b) We are His people, His sheep

- 1 Peter 2:9, NIV – (9) *But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.*

- 1 Peter 2:10, NIV – (10) *Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.*

c) He invites us to come before Him

- Hebrews 4:16, NIV – (16) *Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need.*

3. **Knowledgeable Worship – Verse 3**

a) Know that the Lord is God

- i. Engage honestly with your body
- ii. Engage fully with your attention
- iii. Engage reverently with your attitudes

Action Step(s) For Maximum Worship Benefit:

FELLOWSHIP

- Acts 2:42, NIV – (42) *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship*
- Hebrews 3:13, NIV – (13) *But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness.*
- 1 Thessalonians 5:11, NIV – (11) *Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.*
- John 16:7-8, NIV – (7) *But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. (8) When he comes, he will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment.*
- 2 Timothy 4:2, NIV – (2) [To Timothy, the senior elder of a church] *Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage -- with great patience and careful instruction.*

Action Step(s) For Maximum Fellowship Benefit:

DISCIPLESHIP

- Matthew 28:19-20, NIV – (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.*
- Matthew 14:22, NIV – (22) *Immediately Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead of him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowd.*
- Matthew 21:6, NIV – (6) *The disciples went and did as Jesus had instructed them.*
- John 8:31, NIV – (31) *To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, “If you hold to [believe and obey] my teaching, you are really my disciples.”*
- John 13:35, NIV – (35) *“By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*

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SUMMARY

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- And then take at least 5 more minutes to go to someone you DO know, and encourage them

3. For Maximum Discipleship Benefit:

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- Commit to obey every command, and every thing the Holy Spirit impresses upon you

4. For Maximum Service Benefit:

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- Or committed to serve the person that God wants you to minister to during the week

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