

The Message: Model, Minister, Mentor Posted by Bob Young¹

Introduction

Two commands: love God, love your neighbor

We have been strong on #2 without recognizing the importance of #1

I. Model: Let the Message master you—be loved by God, love God

- Prayer
- Bible study
- Spiritual direction, nurture and application

II. Minister: Minister the message—love others

- Concern for the marginalized, Matt. 25
 - --This text addresses the past
 - --What have we done in the name of Christ for non-family, non-church family, not part of job....
- Evangelism
 - --testimony, Rev. 12:11
 - --joyous advocate for the Christ-way
 - --sharing faith stories of your life and journey
 - --celebrate
 - --faith that is reliable, strong, satisfying in crisis, in “daily-ness”

III. Mentor others in the message—teach others to love

CREATED BY GOD

Prepared for God’s power, Eph 2:10 Spirituality
 Formed for God’s Family, Eph 2:19 Heart
 Created to be like Christ, Eph 4:32 Aptitude/ability
 Shaped for God’s service, Eph 4:12 Purpose
 Made for God’s mission, Eph 1:10 Exercise

Acts 2:42-47

ACTIVITY	TASK	OBJECTIVE	LIFE-PART	BENEFIT	NEED	CH PROVIDES	EMOT/NEED
Liturgy--Worship	exalt	magnify	my worship	Values to guide us	power	focus/festivity	stimulation
Koinonia--Fellowship	encourage	members	my with-ness	People that support us	people	family	support
Didache--Discipleship	edify	maturity	my walk	Faith that nurtures us	principles	foundation/faith	stability
Diakonia--Ministry	equip	ministry	my work	Service that enriches us	profession	function/fidelity	self-expression
Kerygma--Evangelism	evangelize	mission	my witness	Leaders that shepherd us	purpose	focus/future	significance

¹ *Parts of the following reflect materials developed by Rick Warren, *Purpose Driven Church*

The Christian Life Summarized
Acts 2:42-47

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TASK	exalt	encourage	edify	equip	evangelize
OBJECTIVE	magnify	membership	maturity	ministry	mission/message
LIFE-PART	my worship	my with-ness	my walk	my work	my witness
BENEFIT	values to guide	people to support	faith that nurtures	services that enriches	leaders that shepherd
NEED	power	people	principles	profession	purpose
PROVIDES	focus/festivity	family	foundation/faith	function/fidelity	focus/future
EMOTIONAL NEED	stimulation	support	stability	self-expression	significance