

# Five Fundamentals that the Church stands for

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Jesus said: "Go over the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Mark 16:14-18 (NKJV)

14 Later He appeared to the eleven as they sat at the table; and He rebuked their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they did not believe those who had seen Him after He had risen. 15 And He said to them, "Go **into** all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. 17 And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; 18 they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."

When Jesus was in Jerusalem, He gave a Commission; He chose a group of people and said to them: Go into the world and preach the Gospel to every creature. In Jesus mind, everybody should hear the Gospel.

\*Meaning: **into**: expressing movement or action with the result that someone or something makes physical contact with something else.  
Something like being Hooked on, obsessed by, crazy about.

Therefore, we need to go as a church and cover the whole globe with the message of the Gospel. There is no Gospel Mission without a Church. The Church must be a "**base camp**" where people come to get prepared and they go away and change the world.

## Let's see some of the reasons that the church stands for

### 1. It is a place of caring for one another

- The church exists, to care for one another and supply one another's needs
- To share gifts, blessings and love putting our skills to work

Galatians 6:10 (NKJV) - Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

### 2. It is a place of refreshment

- Church is not a place of arduous work or suffering, but a place of joy
- A sense of family and belonging is absolutely vital in the life of a church

2 Corinthians 1:4 (NKJV) - (God) Who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God.

### 3. It is a place to bring a lost needy

- The lost comes and they must say: I found a place and family



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- They must feel saved & restored, rather than rejected or judged
- 1 John 3:17-18 (NKJV) - 17 But whoever has this world's goods, and sees his brother in need, and shuts up his heart from him, how does the love of God abide in him?  
18 My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.

#### 4. It is a place of being Instructed by a guide

- Our services shouldn't be as a Memorial boring Service, but a Resurrection and joyful Service
  - Church must be instructive and enlightening by the discipleship
- Isaiah 58:11 (NKJV) - The Lord will guide you continually, and satisfy your soul in drought, and strengthen your bones; you shall be like a watered garden, and like a spring of water, whose waters do not fail.

#### 5. It is a place to become relevant to your environment

- Jesus was relevant to the people He met; the church should be relevant in our community.
  - Church isn't a place of ENTERTAINMENT, but to an EMPOWERMENT
- Matthew 28:19-20 (NKJV) - 19 Go therefore and **make disciples** of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 **teaching** them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.



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