

The Church's Passion for Purpose

FBC Family Plans: Purpose in Waiting | Chris Mueller | 8-14-2022

Introduction:

First love
Mission
Authority

1st Secular bridge
2nd Christian bridge
3rd Church bridge

A normal church or an average church

#1 God's delays are _____ (And intentional)

1st G _____

2nd G _____

1 Corinthians 16:2 On the first day of every week each one of you is to put aside and save, as he may prosper,

3rd G _____

1 Peter 4:10 As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. **11** Whoever speaks, is to do so as one who is speaking the utterances of God; whoever serves is to do so as one who is serving by the strength which God supplies; so that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belongs the glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

4th G _____

Colossians 4:5 Conduct yourselves with wisdom toward outsiders, making the most of the opportunity. **6** Let your speech always be with grace, as though seasoned with salt, so that you will know how you should respond to each person.

5th G _____

#2 Nothing will stop the FBC Leadership from God's _____

Ephesians 4:11 ...He gave some ... as pastors and teachers, **12** for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ

Ephesians 3:20 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us, **21** to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations forever and ever. Amen

#3 God's plan for FBC is not groundbreaking, but His _____

Acts 13:36 For David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep,...

TAKE HOME:

#1 Are you ready to become _____?

#2 Do you have a heart that is _____ born again?

Matthew 6:21 for where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Romans 6:17 But thanks be to God that though you were slaves of sin, you became obedient from the heart to that form of teaching to which you were committed,

Luke 14:26 "If anyone comes to Me, and does not hate his own father and mother and wife and children and brothers and sisters, yes, and even his own life, he cannot be My disciple. **27** "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after Me cannot be My disciple. **33** "So then, none of you can be My disciple who does not give up all his own possessions.

Romans 12:1 I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.

#3 Are you desirous of _____ your intimacy with Christ?

Colossians 2:6 as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him,

#4 Have you learned that _____ things don't matter when you're in a war?

#5 Are you willing to _____ our future?

Questions for Growth in Christ

1. What aspect of your duty to the church are you fulfilling, and which one are you lacking?
2. Why are so many church attenders not fulfilling their biblical obligations to the local church?
3. What stops genuine believers from truly serving, giving, engaging, and discipling like the Lord commands?
4. What steps are you taking in order to grow more mature in Christ and more intimate with Christ this year?
5. Describe the difference between an *average* church and a *normal* church.
6. What dreams do you have for your future ministry and for your local church? What steps are you taking to pursue them?
7. What do you hope Faith Bible Church might be able to accomplish under God's empowerment this next year?



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