# The Journey

#### FBC's Fifteenth Anniversary 2018 – Church Distinctives and Dreams - Chris Mueller 8-12-2018

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# by a team

1 Peter 5:1 ... I exhort the elders among you, ...

2 shepherd the flock of God among you, ... voluntarily ... with eagerness ... proving to be examples to the flock.

## #2 Everyone \_\_\_\_

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 4:16 from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

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.

### #3

## to the Scripture is an expectation

1 Peter 1:1 Peter... To those ... who are <u>chosen</u> 2 ... to <u>obey</u> Jesus Christ.

Luke 6:46 Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?

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

Romans 6:22 ESV now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the fruit you get leads to sanctification and its end, eternal life.

Hebrews 10:24 let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, 25 not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

2 Timothy 2:1 You therefore, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus. 2 The things which you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, entrust these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Acts 13:36 ESV David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep and was laid with his fathers.

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.

Ephesians 3:20-21 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.

#### TAKE HOME IN PRAYER

1-THANK the Lord for what He has done

2-This church is SPECIAL

3-REPENT over any area of responsibility you're not fulfilling

4-It's time for you to LINK with the Church

5-Minister to two additional FAMILIES

#### Questions for Growth in Christ

1. What five unique aspects of FBC do you appreciate the most and why?

2. What is required of attenders in order to make FBC a special local church?

3. How did the church today in general get to a place where simple obedience to the Scripture is overlooked or ignored?

4. What steps do I need to take in order to participate in the church and be obedient to "the responsibilities of members" in the church?

5. How should I be praying for FBC's new building and the family moving in to our own facility?