

Purpose, Mission, and Vision Statements and Biblical Descriptions

A purpose statement explains why the church exists. Here are a few purpose statement options and brief biblical explanations:

To know, love and proclaim Him (Phil 3:7-14, Matt 22:37-38, 1 Pet 2:9).

... For the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord... that I may know Him... I press on toward the goal of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus... to love the Lord my God with all my heart, with all my soul, and with all my mind... that I may proclaim the praises of Him who called me out of darkness into His marvelous light.

Biblical worship, genuine fellowship & bold ministry (John 4:23-24, Rom 12:1, Eph 6:19-2, Mathew 28:18-20, Heb 10: 24-25).

... worshiping the Father in spirit and truth... giving our bodies to God because of all he has done for us... as a living and holy sacrifice.... considering one another in order to stir up love and good works... exhorting one another... opening our mouths boldly to make known the mystery of the gospel... making disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Christ focused community where lives are transformed (Col 1:28, Rom 12:1-2, 2 Cor 3:18).

...Christ Jesus we preach... with our own hearts as a living sacrifice... renewing our minds... we teach all wisdom from the Word... that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus... transformed into the same image.

The Greatest Commandments and the Great Commission (Mark 12:29-31, Matt 28:18-20).

... the Lord our God, the Lord is one.... you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength... You shall love your neighbor as yourself... so then ... Go... make disciples... baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit... teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded

A vision statement explains where the church is heading as we trust God to lead us. Here are a few vision statement options and brief biblical explanations:

Becoming one in Christ (John 17:20-23).

... that all may be one, as the Father, is in Jesus, and Jesus is in the Father... one in Jesus and the Father ... one just as Jesus and the Father are one: Jesus in the believer, and the Father in Jesus ... made perfect in one by the Spirit through Jesus.

Aligned with Jesus, defined by His love & united in His work (1 Peter 2:4-5, John 13:34-35, Ephesians 4:11-13, John 15:16, 1 Cor 1:10).

...as living stones, being built up as spiritual house, a holy priesthood... loving one another; as Christ loved us... united in the same mind... coming to the unity of the faith through the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

To be united in Christ, acting on His promises (Eph 4: 15-16, John 17: 17-21, John 20:21, Eph 4:4-6, Eph 2:10).

... as His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works... we walk in them... one body with one Spirit... one hope... one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all... the

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whole body, joined and knit together... speaking the truth in love... every part doing its share, causing growth of the body... that all might grow up in all things into Him who is the head Christ... being sanctified by His truth... all becoming one, as Jesus and the Father are one... sent by Jesus as the Father sent Him.

A godly church with a global impact (Acts 1:8, Eph 5:25-27, John 13:34-35, Matt 5:16).

... Jesus Christ... sanctifies and cleanses... the church... with the washing of water by the word that He might present to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle... holy and without blemish... commanding... us to love one another; as He loved us... so that all might know we are His disciples... He provides power by the Holy Spirit... so that... we might be... witnesses of Him in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the end of the earth... as lights shining before men... glorifying our Father in heaven.

A mission statement explains what the church should be doing. Here are a few mission statement options and brief biblical explanations:

Walking with Him, on His mission (Eph 2:10, Gal 5:25-25, Col 2:6-7, 1 John 1:7, 2 John 6, Matt 28:19-20).

...we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works... that we should walk in them... according to His commandments... rooted and built up in Him... in the Spirit... walking in the light as He is in the light... in fellowship with one another... making disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe His commandments.

Loving Him, Loving Others and Fulfilling His Great Commission (Rom 15:5-6, Mark 12:29-31, Rom 10:14-15, John 13:34-35, Acts 1:8, Matthew 28:18-20, 1 Thess 5:1).

... loving the Lord our God with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind, and with all our strength... we comfort each other and edify one another... loving one another as Christ loved us... with one mind and one mouth we glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ... sending out teachers of the gospel... to our Jerusalem, our Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth... that they might hear... that they might believe... that they might call on His name... making disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that Christ commanded.

Equipping believers, fulfilling the great commission (Eph 4:11-13, Col 1:28, Matt 28:18-20, Eph 4:12, Luke 10:2).

... Jesus Christ we preach... in order to present every man perfect in Christ... till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God... equipping the saints... for the work of ministry... that the Lord of the harvest may send out laborers... in order to make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Glorifying God and growing with Him (Act 2:42-47).

... that we might continue... steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers... continuing daily with one accord... with simplicity of heart, praising God the Lord... as He adds... to the church daily those who are being saved