

Grace Baptist Church endeavors to be Bible driven through:

Glorifying God

- By **Proclaiming Christ** to those who believe and those who do not believe.
 - Through **Utilizing Scripture**
 - ◇ Unto the **Maturing of the Members** of Christ's Body
 - Reflected in members who are characterized by **Loving Others**.
 - Reflected in members who are characterized by **Always Praying**.
 - Reflected in members who are characterized by **Maintaining Unity** in the Truth.
 - ◇ Until every member reflects the image of Christ.
 - Through members who do the work of the ministry because they have been equipped by **Shepherding Leaders**.

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- ◇ The church planter should make disciples in a region (Acts 14:20-23).
- ◇ The church uses lengthy messages (many logos) to strengthen and encourage the believers (Acts 15:32).
- ◇ The leadership of the church should strengthen the believers (Acts 15:41).
- ◇ The leadership of the church should encourage the believers (Acts 16:40).
- ◇ The church's leadership should use verbal gifts to exhort and encourage the believers (Acts 20:1).
- ◇ The church should receive lengthy instruction (Acts 20:7).
- ◇ The church's leadership should be bold in declaring what is profitable (Acts 20:20).
- ◇ The church planter should admonish each person with tears (Acts 20:31).
- ◇ The church is best suited when entrusted to the Word which gives grace to be built up and persevere to the end of their faith (Acts 20:32).
- ◇ The church planter should long to benefit people in the spiritual realm so that they are established spiritually (Romans 1:11).
- ◇ The church members and leadership should be encouraging one another and building up each other's faith (Romans 1:12).
- ◇ The church planter should long to see fruit for his labor among the people to whom he ministers (Romans 1:13).
- ◇ The church is responsible to send out preachers in order for the Gospel to go forward (Rom 10:14-15).
- ◇ The church member should strive to build up the other members rather than pleasing themselves (Romans 15:2).
- ◇ The church member should seek for the glory of God and the edifying of the body in his choice of using his liberty in neutral things (I Cor 10:15-33).
- ◇ The church members are given enabling by the Spirit for the purpose of the common good of the body (I Cor 12:7).
- ◇ The church members have diversity of giftedness for the enabling of the body to have diversity of functions (I Cor 12:14-26).
- ◇ The purpose for the gifts is the edification of the body and those gifts that most edify are to be desired (I Cor 14).
- ◇ The church must place priority on the mind understanding a message being communicated for the purpose of edification (I Cor 14:13-19).
- ◇ Individual families should dedicate themselves to the ministry of the saints (I Cor 16:15).
- ◇ Christ likeness/Sanctification
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- ◆ The church members should be like their head – Christ (Eph 4:15).
- ◆ The church is set apart to Christ through being cleansed by the washing of God’s Word (Eph 5:26).
- ◆ The goal of the church’s cleansing is the ultimate pleasure of Christ (Eph 5:27).
- ◆ Each church member should develop holy character through the Word (Eph 5:26-27).
- ◇ The church members should restore members who have been caught in a trespass (Gal 6:1).
 - ◆ The church members’ restoration must be characterized by a spirit of gentleness (Gal 6:1).
 - ◆ The church members who restore should do so humbly (Gal 6:1).
- ◇ The church leaders’ purpose is the equipping of the saints (Eph 4:12).
- ◇ The church members are equipped for the purpose of service (Eph 4:12).
- ◇ The church members’ purpose in their service in the body is the building up of the body (Eph 4:12).
- ◇ The church’s service must accomplish three goals (Eph 4:13).
 - ◆ Unity among the members of the body (Eph 4:13).
 - ◇ Based on “the faith”
 - ◇ Based on the knowledge of the Person and nature of the Son of God (Eph 4:13).
 - ◆ Maturity of the body (Eph 4:13).
 - ◆ To mature the body to the point that it measure up to Christ (Eph 4:14).
- ◇ Church members should speak the truth in love for the mutual growth of the other members into every aspect of Who Christ is (Eph 4:15).
- ◇ The church’s growth comes from God (Col 2:19).
- ◇ The church members must furnish and supply for the needs (primarily spiritual) of the other members in order for the whole body to grow (Col 2:19).
- ◇ Each church member must teach one another with wisdom as a result of having the Word of Christ richly residing in them (Col 3:16).
- ◇ Each church member must admonish one another with wisdom as a result of having the Word of Christ richly residing in them (Col 3:16).
- ◇ The church members should comfort one another with the truths of the return of Christ (I Thess 4:18).
- ◇ The church members should encourage one another (I Thess 5:11).
- ◇ The church members should build up one another (I Thess 5:11).
- ◇ The church leadership should admonish the members (I Thess 5:12).
- ◇ The church members must patiently admonish those in the church who are out of order (I Thess 5:14).
- ◇ The church members must patiently encourage the fainthearted (I Thess 5:14).
- ◇ The church members must patiently help along those who are struggling (I Thess 5:14).
- ◇ The church members must be patient with everyone (I Thess 5:14).
- ◇ The church members must seek to do what is good for all believers (I Thess 5:15).
- ◇ The church member must admonish those who disobey Scripture (II Thess 3:15).
- ◇ The church leadership must entrust faithful men (who will teach others) with sound doctrine (II Tim 2:2).
- ◇ The church members must encourage other members on a daily basis so that they will not fall into unbelief or sin (Hebrews 3:12-13).
- ◇ The church members must strive to be mature in their ability to take teaching and their ability to teach (Hebrews 5:11-6:2).
- ◇ The church members must consider how to stimulate one another to love (Hebrews 10:24).
- ◇ The church members must consider how to stimulate one another to good works (Hebrews 10:24).
- ◇ The church members should be faithful to gather together to encourage others (Hebrews 10:25).
- ◇ The church members must strive to strengthen those who are weak providing an environment for their healing (Hebrews 12:12).
- ◇ The church should strive to turn back those who stray from the truth (James 5:19-20).
- ◇ The church members must long for the pure milk of the word to grow in respect salvation (I Pt 2:2).
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- ◇ The church members must keep themselves in the love of God by building themselves up in the faith and praying in the Holy Spirit (Jude 19-20).
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- ◇ Believing
 - ◆ The member of the church that is gifted in prophecy should prophecy in proportion to his faith (Romans 12:6).
 - ◆ The church leaders should pray that the members will receive the Word of God as the Word of God (I Thess 2:13).
 - ◆ The church must have perseverance and faith in the midst of persecution (II Thess 1:4).
 - ◆ The church members must be people of faith (Hebrews 11).
- ◇ Disciplined
 - ◆ Church members should be disciplined for the sake of winning the crown (I Cor 9:24-27).
- ◇ Enduring
 - ◆ The church members should persevere in tribulation (Romans 12:12).
- ◇ Evangelistic
 - ◆ The Lord is able to bring multitudes into the church and that should be desired (Acts 6:1).
- ◇ Forgiving
 - ◆ The church members should forgive, comfort, and love restored brethren (II Cor 2:7).
 - ◆ The church members must forgive and restore those who have repented so as not to give place to the devil's schemes (2 Cor 2:11).
 - ◆ The church must realize that Satan will take advantage of an unforgiving attitude in the church (II Cor 2:11).
 - ◆ Each church member must act (while they are putting on compassion, goodness, humility gentleness, and patience) in a forgiving manner toward others (Col 3:13).
 - ◆ Each church member must forgive other members because Christ forgave us (Col 3:13).
- ◇ Gracious/Pleasing
 - ◆ Every church member should speak in a gracious and pleasing manner (Col 4:6).
 - ◆ The men in the church should pray with a pure heart without an angry spirit (I Tim 2:8).
 - ◆ The church members should bless those who persecute and curse them (Romans 12:14).
- ◇ Giving to the Physical Needs of Others
 - ◆ The church should have a loose grasp on material possessions and a willingness to share with those in need (Acts 2:44-46).
 - ◆ The church should take care of its needy individuals (Acts 4:35).
 - ◆ The church takes care of its widows – those who are needy (Acts 6:1).
 - ◆ The church members should be willing to share with those who are needy (Acts 11:29-30).
 - ◆ The church planter must be an example of generously giving to meet other's needs (Acts 20:35).
 - ◆ The church members should contribute to the needs of the saints (Romans 12:13).
 - ◆ The church should be willing to contribute for the poor saints in different regions of the world (Romans 15:26).
 - ◆ The church member's knowledge should be the servant of love (I Cor 8:1-3).
 - ◆ The church should be open to financially supporting men in other churches to support the Gospel work in other regions (Phil 4:15-16).
 - ◆ The church members must furnish and supply for the needs (primarily spiritual) of the other members in order for the whole body to grow (Col 2:19).
 - ◆ The church must honor widows that are widows indeed (I Tim 5:3-13).
 - ◆ The church members must engage themselves in good deeds – providing for other's needs (Titus 3:14).
 - ◆ The church members must do good and share as a sacrifice that pleases God (Heb 13:16).
 - ◆ The church must take care of orphans and widows in their distress in order to have pure and undefiled religion before God the Father (James 1:27).
 - ◆ The church leadership is joyful when the members are walking in truth (III Jn. 1:4).
 - ◆ The church should send fellow workers in the truth on their way in a manner worthy of God (III Jn. 1:5-8).
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 - ◆ The church members should rejoice in hope (Romans 12:12).
- ◇ Humble
 - ◆ The church member should not think highly of himself (Romans 12:16).
 - ◆ The church member should associate with the lowly (Romans 12:16).
 - ◆ The church member should not be wise in his own estimation (Romans 12:16).
 - ◆ The church members should not become boastful (Gal 5:26).
 - ◆ The church members who restore should do so humbly (Gal 6:1).
 - ◆ Each member must manifest the Spirit's control by subjecting one to another (Eph 5:21).
 - ◆ The church member is to think sensibly, about his gifts. Do not overrate yourself (Romans 12:3).
- ◇ Impartial
 - ◆ The church should show no partiality based on class or race in the church (Acts 10:34-36).
- ◇ Joyful
 - ◆ The church should be characterized by those who are continually filled with joy (Acts 13:52).
 - ◆ The church members should rejoice in hope (Romans 12:12).
- ◇ Loving
 - ◆ The love of the church members is to be genuine (Romans 12:9).
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 - ◆ The church members should go before in honoring/respecting/esteeming the other members of the body (Romans 12:11).
 - ◆ The church members who are strong should bear with weaknesses of the members who are weak (Romans 15:1).
 - ◆ The church members should greet one another warmly (Romans 16:16).
 - ◆ The church members should forgive, comfort, and love restored brethren (II Cor 2:7-8).
 - ◆ The church member must see love as the fulfillment of all his requirements to others (Gal 5:14).
 - ◆ The church members should bear one another's burdens (Gal 6:2).
 - ◆ The church member walks worthy of his calling by the means of tolerating one another in love (Eph 4:2).
 - ◆ The purpose of the church leadership's building of the members into the image of Christ should result in speaking truth in a loving manner (Eph 4:15).
 - ◆ Church members should speak the truth in love for the mutual growth of the other members into every aspect of Who Christ is (Eph 4:15).
 - ◆ Each member's service must be given in the context of love (Eph 4:16).
 - ◆ A church cannot grow without each member serving in love (Eph 4:16).
 - ◆ Each member must be adorned with a heart of the greatest quality, love (Col 3:14).
 - ◆ The church members must love because it is the perfect unifier of the body (Col 3:14).
 - ◆ The church members must strive to excel in their love toward others (A love taught by God) (I Thess 4:9-10).
 - ◆ The church members must love other believers in other locations (I Thess 4:10).
 - ◆ The church leadership's goal in their instruction must be love (I Tim 1:5).
 - ◆ The church leadership must have a pure heart, a good conscience, and a sincere faith in order to have loving instruction (I Tim 1:5).
 - ◆ The church members must show love toward one another (Hebrews 13:1).
 - ◆ The church members must fervently love one another from the heart (I Pet 1:22).
 - ◆ The church members must fervently love one another (I Pt. 4:8).
 - ◆ The church must be careful not to abandon love (Rev. 2:4).
 - ◆ The church members must love one another as an evidence of their relationship to God (I Jn. 2:9-11).
 - ◆ The church members should love one another (I Jn. 3:11).
 - ◆ The church members must love one another because God loves us and to demonstrate that God abides in us (I Jn 4:11-12).
 - ◆ The church members must love one another (II Jn 1:5-6).
 - ◆ The church should be known by the Lord for their love (Rev. 2:19).
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- ◆ The member of the church that is gifted in mercy should show mercy with cheerfulness (Romans 12:8)

◇ Not Judgmental

- ◆ The church member should not pass judgment on others opinions in areas of liberty (Romans 14:1,13).
 - ◇ The church member should be more concerned that he is practicing his own opinions in areas of liberty in light of the fact that he will give an account of himself to God (Romans 14:10).

◇ Patience

- ◆ Each church member must act (while they are putting on compassion, goodness, humility gentleness, and patience) in a forbearing manner toward others (Col 3:13).
- ◆ The church members must patiently admonish those in the church who are out of order (I Thess 5:14).
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- ◆ The church members must patiently help along those who are struggling (I Thess 5:14).
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◇ Peaceful

- ◆ The church's peace among its members comes from Christ (Col 3:15).
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- ◆ Each church member is called to peace within the members of the body (Col 3:15).
- ◆ Each church member must be thankful which is an ingredient of peace (Col 3:15).
- ◆ The church members must cultivate peace with each other (I Thess 5:14).
- ◆ The church members are to live a quiet life (I Thess 4:11).
- ◆ The church should pray for the salvation of rulers and authorities so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life (I Tim 2:2).

◇ Pure

- ◆ The church members are to cleanse themselves of all defilement of flesh and spirit (II Cor 7:1).
- ◆ The church members are motivated to holiness because they fear God (II Cor 7:1).
- ◆ Church members should live differently than his worldly lifestyle as an unbeliever (Eph 4:17).
 - ◇ Laying aside falsehood
 - ◇ Laying aside improper anger
 - ◇ Laying aside stealing
 - ◇ Laying aside improper speech
 - ◇ Laying aside grieving the Holy Spirit
 - ◇ Laying aside bitterness
 - ◇ Laying aside unkindness
- ◆ Each church member is set apart (Col 3:12).
- ◆ The church members must fulfill God's desire for moral purity (I Thess 4:4-8).
- ◆ The church leadership must pray for God to make church members worthy of His calling (II Thess 1:11).
- ◆ The men in the church should pray with a pure heart without an angry spirit (I Tim 2:8).
- ◆ The church as a whole is responsible to repent of failures (Rev. 2:5).
- ◆ The church that does not repent of failures will be removed (Rev. 2:5).
- ◆ The church members should live in light of eternity (Hebrews 13:12-14).
- ◆ The church must keep itself unstained by the world in order to have pure and undefiled religion before God the Father (James 1:27).
- ◆ The church members should control their desires for unity's sake (James 4:1-2).
- ◆ The church members must not be friends of the world which is spiritual adultery (James 4:4).
- ◆ The church should have a loose grasp on material possessions (Acts 2:44-46).
- ◆ The church member should hate what is evil and hold fast to what is good (Romans 12:9).
- ◆ The church should heed Israel's example and flee from evil cravings (I Cor. 10:1-14).
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- ◆ Worthy Conduct
 - ◇ The church members must walk worthy of their high calling as members of His body (Eph 4:1).
 - ◇ The church members walking worthy of his calling demands walking in a humble manner (Eph 4:2).
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 - ◇ The church member walks worthy of his calling by the means of tolerating one another in love (Eph 4:2).
 - ◇ The church member walks worthy of his calling by the means of diligently preserving unity (Eph 4:3).
- ◆ The church members must endeavor to be engaged in honest employment (I Thess 4:11).
- ◆ The church members must live in such a way that they are a good testimony to outsiders (I Thess 4:12).
- ◆ The church must walk worthy of it's calling to glorify the name of Jesus (II Thess 1:12).
- ◇ Separated
 - ◆ The church members should watch for those who cause divisions and offences by teaching contrary to the correct doctrine and avoid them (Romans 16:17-18).
 - ◆ The church is holy therefore it is separated unto Himself as His possession (I Cor3:17).
 - ◆ Church Discipline:
 - ◇ The church members should remove wicked unrepentant members from their association (I Cor 5:7-10)
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 - ◇ Each church member sorrows at the sins of another church member (II Cor 2:5).
 - ◇ The church members should forgive, comfort, and love restored brethren (II Cor 2:7).
 - ◇ The church members must forgive and restore those who have repented so as not to give place to the devil's schemes (2 Cor 2:11).
 - ◇ The church members should restore members who have been caught in a trespass (Gal 6:1).
 - ◇ The church members must patiently admonish those in the church who are out of order (I Thess 5:14).
 - ◇ The church must publicly rebuke the elder who continues in sin so that all would be fearful of sinning (I Tim 5:20).
 - ◇ The church should not tolerate unrepentant immorality and idolatry (Rev. 2:20-23).
 - ◆ The church members should not allow their commitment to separation from evil keep them from associating with unbelieving sinners (I Cor 5:10-11).
 - ◆ The church is responsible to judge members who live in unrepentant wickedness (I Cor 5:12).
 - ◆ Church discipline is a matter of obedience (II Cor 2:9).
 - ◆ The church members must not be bound together with unbelievers (II Cor 6:14-18).
 - ◆ The church leadership should not compromise the straightforwardness of the Gospel by their associations (Gal 2:13-14).
 - ◆ The church leadership should not abandon good associations based on their fear of man (Gal 2:12).
 - ◆ The church members must keep away from every brother that leads an unruly life defined by the clear teaching of Scripture (II Thess 3:6).
 - ◆ The church members must take special note of those who disobey Scripture and not associate with them (II Thess 3:14).
 - ◆ The church is commended for its unwearied perseverance through hardships for the advancement of Christ's Name (Rev. 2:3).
 - ◆ The church must earnestly contend for the faith delivered down to the saints to uphold (Jude 3)
 - ◆ The church must put out from among them those who teach false doctrine (Rev. 2:16).
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◇ The Church members response in Persecution

- ◆ The church must turn to fervent prayer during difficult seasons (Acts 12:4-5).
- ◆ The church leaders should be resilient in the face of persecution (Acts 14:20).
- ◆ The church leaders should be transparent about the costs of discipleship (Acts 14:22).
- ◆ The church leaders should be strengthening the souls of the believers during persecution (Acts 14:20).
- ◆ The church planter can expect persecution (Acts 20:19).
- ◆ The church planter must be ready to obey God's leading in the face of certain persecution (Acts 20:21-22).
- ◆ The church members should bless those who persecute and curse them (Romans 12:14).
- ◆ The church leadership should be willing to suffer Christ like persecution on behalf of the church (Col 1:19).
- ◆ The church leaders should be willing to be persecuted for the Gospel (Col 4:3).
- ◆ The church planter should not let past persecution keep him from boldly sharing the Gospel (I Thes. 2:1).
- ◆ The church should be ready to suffer (I Thess 2:14).
- ◆ The church members must not repay evil when treated with evil (I Thess 5:15).
- ◆ The church must have perseverance and faith in the midst of persecution (II Thess 1:4).
- ◆ The church should pray for the salvation of rulers and authorities so that we may lead a tranquil and quiet life (I Tim 2:2).
- ◆ The church is commended for its unwearied perseverance through hardships for the advancement of Christ's Name (Rev. 2:3).
- ◆ The church leadership must be willing to suffer hardship (II Tim 2:3, 9).
- ◆ The church must be faithful unto death in the midst of persecution (Rev. 2:10).
- ◆ The church is kept from tribulation by the Lord (Rev. 3:10).

◇ Service:

- ◆ Individual families should dedicate themselves to the ministry of the saints (I Cor 16:15).
 - ◆ Church members should be submissive to those who are devoting themselves for the ministry of the saints (I Cor 16:16).
- ◆ The church leadership must be bondservants of church members for the sake of Jesus (II Cor. 4:5).
- ◆ The church members are equipped for the purpose of service (Eph 4:12).
- ◆ The church members' purpose in their service in the body is the building up of the body (Eph 4:12).
- ◆ The church's service must accomplish thee goals (Eph 4:13).
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 - ◇ To mature the body to the point that it measure up to Christ (Eph 4:14).
- ◆ The church members are being bound together in unity under their Head as they each supply their needed function (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ Every member of the body has a vital function to fill in the body and the entire body's health is dependent on his functioning properly (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ Each member's service must be given in the context of love (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ A church cannot grow without each member serving in love (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ One of the offices of the church has the role of serving the members of the church (Phil 1:1).
- ◆ The leadership in the church is given as a stewardship by God for the purpose of serving the church (Col 1:25).
- ◆ The church is commended by Jesus for church members who's work in the church is characterized by steadfastness in intense labor (Rev. 2:2).
- ◆ The member of the church that is gifted in service should serve (Romans 12:7).
- ◆ The church members should not lag behind in diligence, but be fervent in spirit, serving the Lord (Romans 12:11).

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◇ Speaking

- ◆ The church members must control their tongue (James 1:26).
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- ◆ The church members must not be speaking evil of one another (James 4:11).
- ◆ The church members must not complain against one another (James 5:9).
- ◆ The church members must not swear frivolous oaths (James 5:12).

◇ Thankful

- ◆ Each member must manifest the Spirit's control by making melody in their hearts to the Lord (Eph 5:19).
- ◆ Each church member must be thankful which is an ingredient of peace (Col 3:15).
- ◆ The church should sing in a thankful manner (Col 3:16).
- ◆ Every church member should do all things with a thankful spirit to God for what Christ has done (Col 3:17)
- ◆ The church must keep alert in its prayers with an attitude of thanksgiving (Col 4:2).
- ◆ The church members must give thanks in everything (I Thess 5:18).
- ◆ The church should make entreaties, prayers and thanksgivings to God on behalf of all men (I Tim 2:1).

◇ Unified in the Truth

- ◆ Example: The church is to be unified (Acts 1:13-14).
- ◆ Koinonia
 - ◇ The individuals in the church must share of themselves with the total community of the church (Acts 2:42).
 - ◇ The manner of the church's sharing and commonality should be in joyfulness (Acts 2:46).
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 - ◇ The church members should be willing to share with those who are needy (Acts 11:29-30).
 - ◇ The church members should pursue opportunities to show kindness to other believers (Romans 12:13).
 - ◇ The church members should accept one another as Christ received us unto the glory of God (Romans 15:6).
- ◆ The members in the church should have a joyful unity among one another (Acts 2:46).
- ◆ Example: The church should gather together regularly (Acts 2:45).
- ◆ Example: A byproduct of the church dwelling in unity is that they appear favorably before outsiders (Acts 2:46).
- ◆ The church must meet in unity (Acts 5:12).
- ◆ Impartial
 - ◇ The church should show no partiality based on class or race in the church (Acts 10:34-36)
 - ◇ The church should glorify God through reaching Jews and Gentiles with the gospel (Romans 15:8-9).
 - ◇ The church makeup transcends nations (Col 1:29).
 - ◇ The church members must not have an attitude of personal favoritism (James 2:1-7).
- ◆ The church member should think about the central measure given to all – faith in Christ to combat divisiveness that may arise from diversity of gifts (Romans 12:4-5).
- ◆ The church is a spiritual unity (Romans 12:5).
- ◆ The church member should be of the same mindset toward one another (Romans 12:16).
- ◆ The church should pray that they will be given unity and like mindedness according to Christ (Romans 15:5).
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- ◆ The church members should not take other members to secular courts to settle disputes (I Cor 6:1-8).
- ◆ The church members should count being defrauded as a better alternative than compromising the testimony of the church before unbelievers (I Cor 6:7).
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- ◆ The church is growing and fitting together like part of a building (Eph 2:21-22).
- ◆ The church must fulfill its role to glorify the wisdom of God through the unity of its members being examined by the heavenly beings (Eph 3:8-10).
- ◆ The church member walks worthy of his calling by the means of diligently preserving unity (Eph 4:3).
- ◆ The church's unity is produced by the Spirit (Eph 4:3).
- ◆ The church's unity is based in its common body, Spirit, hope, Lord, faith, baptism, God and Father (Eph 4:4-6).
- ◆ The church's service must accomplish three goals (Eph 4:13).
 - ◆ Unity among the members of the body (Eph 4:13).
- ◆ The church members are being bound together in unity under their Head as they each supply their needed function (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ Interdependency
 - ◆ Every member of the body has a vital function to fill in the body and the entire body's health is dependent on his functioning properly (Eph 4:16).
- ◆ Each member must manifest the Spirit's control by subjecting one to another (Eph 5:21).
- ◆ Each church member must contribute to the unity of the entire body in order that the body may grow (Col 2:19).
- ◆ The church members must love because it is the perfect unifier of the body (Col 3:14).
- ◆ The church members should control their desires for unities sake (James 4:1-2).
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- ◆ The church members must be harmonious (I Pt. 3:8).

◇ Unselfishness

- ◆ The church must have a spirit of enslaving their personal rights in accommodating to others so that they would be more ready to receive the Gospel (I Cor 9:19-23).
- ◆ The church members should not engage in any activity that would cause another believer to follow his example by acting against his own conscience (I Cor 8:1-13).
- ◇ The church members must be alert, standing firm, and being strong in their stand for the faith (I Cor 16:13).
- ◇ Each church member sorrows at the sins of another church member (II Cor 2:5).
- ◇ The church members should give cheerfully (2 Cor 9:7).
 - ◇ The church members must serve one another (Hebrews 6:10-12).
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- ◇ Each church member must be adorned with a heart of compassion (Col 3:12).
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- ◇ The church members must rejoice always (I Thess 5:16).
- ◇ Perseverance:
 - ◇ The church must have perseverance and faith in the midst of persecution (II Thess 1:4).
- ◇ The church leadership must pray for God to fulfill the desires of goodness and works of faith and power that the church members have (II Thess 1:12)
- ◇ The church leaders must be willing to work secular employment (II Thess 3:7-9).
- ◇ Women
 - ◇ The women in the church should dress modestly and discreetly (I Tim 2:9).
 - ◇ The women in the church should be adorned with good works (I Tim 2:10).
 - ◇ The women in the church must quietly receive instruction with entire submissiveness (I Tim 2:11).
 - ◇ The women in the church must not teach a man (I Tim 2:12).
 - ◇ The women in the church must not exercise authority over a man (I Tim 2:12).
 - ◇ The women in the church must have a quiet spirit in the church (I Tim 2:13).
 - ◇ The role of men and women in the church are based on creation (I Tim 2:13-15).
- ◇ The church is commended by Jesus for church members who's work in the church is characterized by steadfastness in intense labor (Rev. 2:2).
- ◇ Attitude toward leadership:
 - ◇ The church is to show double honor to the elders who work to exhaustion in their preaching and teaching (5:17).
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- ◇ The church must keep itself unstained by the world in order to have pure and undefiled religion before God the Father (James 1:27).
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