

## ***Foundations: A Course for New Members***

### **Session 2**

# **Purpose**

## **Understanding Why We Exist as A Church**

“Purpose”

- ❖ The object toward which one \_\_\_\_\_ or for which something \_\_\_\_\_.
- ❖ An \_\_\_\_\_ or a \_\_\_\_\_
- ❖ A result or \_\_\_\_\_ that is intended or desired; an intention.

Why Understand Purpose?

- ❖ Our purpose \_\_\_\_\_ and directs all of the activities and efforts of the church.
- ❖ A good understanding of the purpose of the church provides a \_\_\_\_\_ effect on the members of the church.
- ❖ The purpose of the church is the \_\_\_\_\_ of the church, upon which everything else is built.
- ❖ Understanding the purpose of the church helps keep the church \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

God’s ultimate purpose for everything that He does is to \_\_\_\_\_ and exhibit His glory.

His glory is the sum \_\_\_\_\_ of all of His \_\_\_\_\_ working together in perfect \_\_\_\_\_.

That is His purpose for \_\_\_\_\_. (Isaiah 43:7, Genesis 1:26, Psalm 19:1)

That is His purpose for the \_\_\_\_\_. (Hebrews 1:3)

That is His purpose for \_\_\_\_\_. (Romans 8:28-30)

The Mission Statement of Fellowship Baptist Church.

“Convinced that God is uniquely gathering and equipping the Fellowship Baptist Church of Steinhatchee, Florida; as a fellowship of baptized believers who are joined by covenant in the faith of fellowship of the gospel, we are to glorify God by:

- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ Him - Coming together to freshly encounter God; to adore Him through praise, prayer, and sharing.
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ - The good news of Jesus Christ to all people.
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ - Using the Bible as our basis, we must disciple believers to obey the Lord in all things.
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ - To others through God’s love - seeking always to win the lost to Christ by local and world missions in harmony with the gospel of Christ.

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- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ - To sovereign God, which must under gird the work of the Church. We must hear from Him that we may know Him, His purpose, His ways, and His power.
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_ - God's truths to our lives that we may each be a living, loving model Of the servant love Jesus came to teach."

A mission statement defines the \_\_\_\_\_ by which we carry out our \_\_\_\_\_ statement.

Fellowship Baptist Church exists for the \_\_\_\_\_ of being used of God to make \_\_\_\_\_, who in every area of their lives, will \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ the Glory of \_\_\_\_\_.

How? Five Categories of Activities

- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_-sharing the gospel with the lost. (Acts 2:38-41)
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_-sharing the truth of God's Word. (Acts 2:42)
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_-the sharing of common life with believers. (Acts 2:42)
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_-sharing what we have been given with others. (Acts 2:43-45)
- ❖ \_\_\_\_\_-Magnifying God for who He is and what He has done. This should permeate all that we do. (Acts 2:47)

