



# Holistic Growth For Ministry Impact

Session 1  
Purpose-driven Life

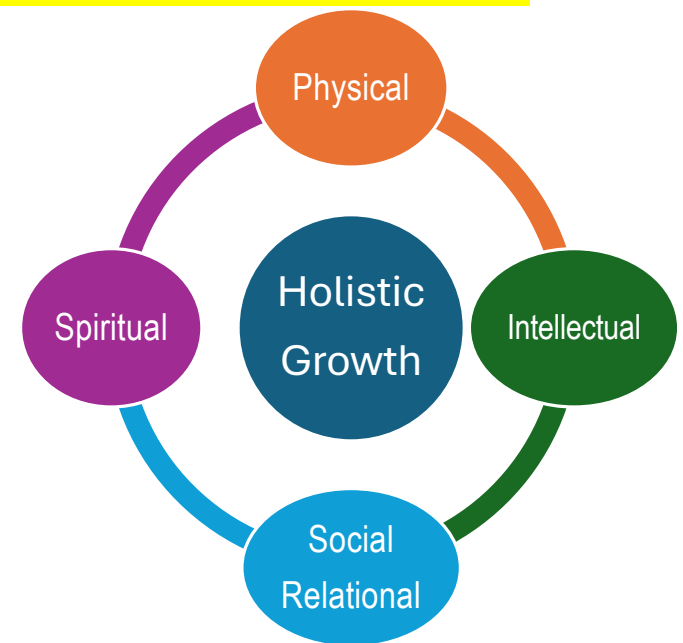
# Framework of This Program

- Purpose

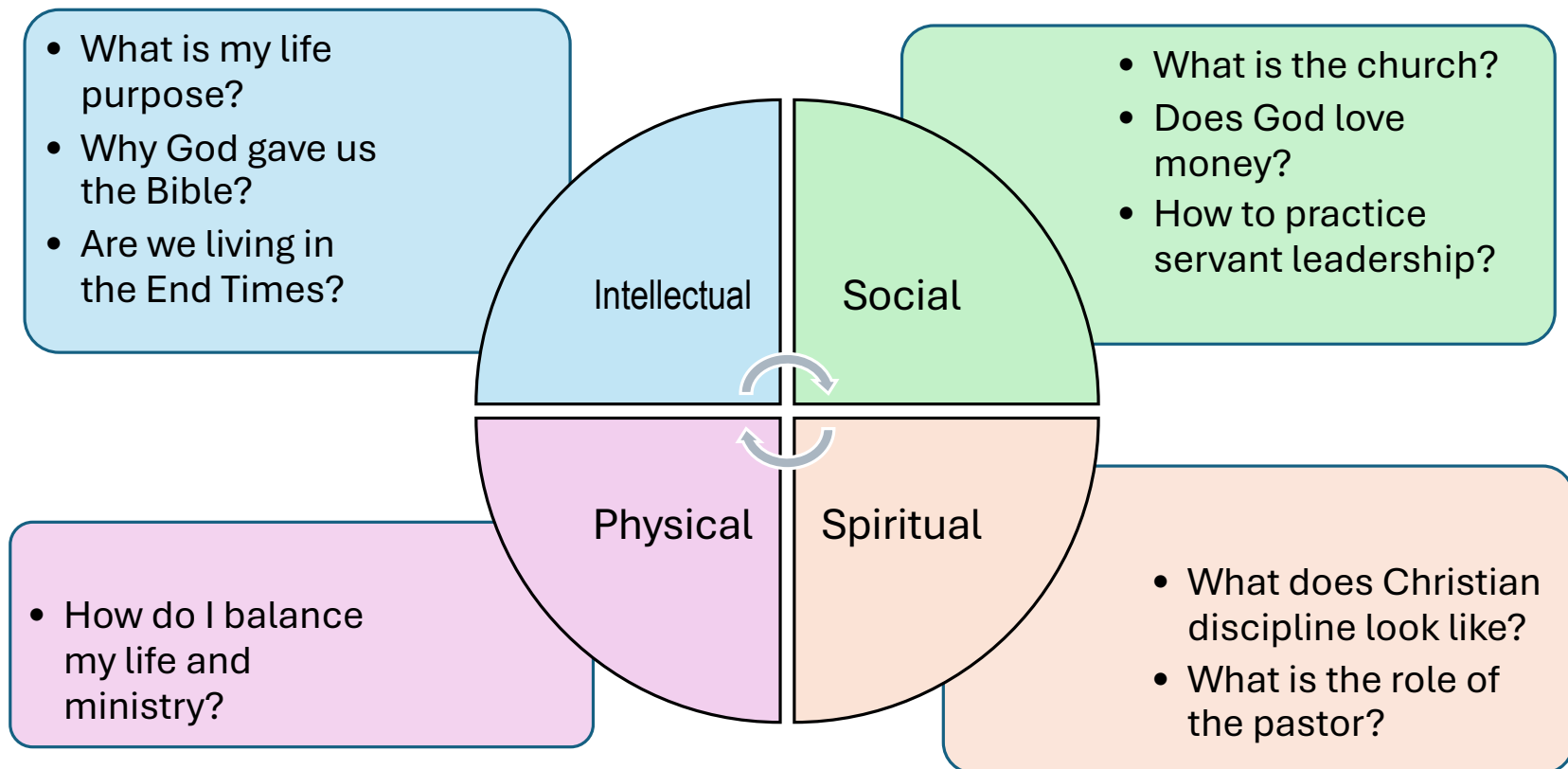
- Developing young Christian pastors, directly drawing from the verse that describes Jesus' growth: "**And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man**" (Luke 2:52).

- Holistic Growth

- Intellectually (in wisdom): Know the Bible
- Physically (in stature): Balancing life and ministry
- Spiritually (in favor with God): Spiritual discipline
- Socially (in favor with man): Dealing ministerial issues



# Session Titles



- The Great Commandment

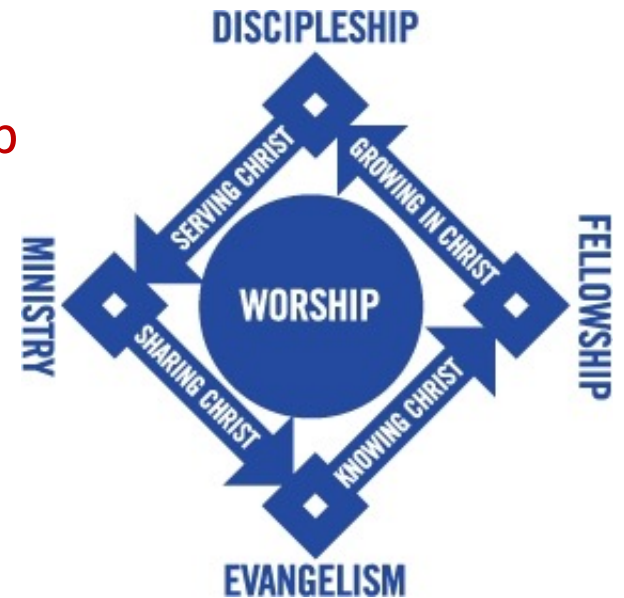
- Love the Lord your God with all your heart...soul...and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it. Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and Prophets hang on these two commandments (Matthew 22:36-40)

- The Great Commission

- Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to do everything I have commanded you (Matthew 28:19-20).

# Five purposes Christ ordained for the church

- Love the Lord with all your heart: **Worship (Magnify God)**
- Love your neighbor as yourself: **Ministry (Service)**
- Go and make disciples: **Evangelism (Mission)**
- Baptizing them: **Fellowship (belong Membership)**
- Teaching them to obey: **Discipleship (Maturity)**



# Your Life Matters to God

- Your life on earth is so important
  - “What on earth am I here for? Does my life matter? Why am I alive?”
- Influence
  - God expects you to be a good steward of everything he has given, including your influence. He wants you to use your influence to help others.
  - God expects you to use that kind of influence for good.
  - Influence is the power to affect how someone or something develops, behaves, or thinks (The Cambridge Dictionary).
- Three steps you influence for good



Recognize your  
influence

Exercise your  
influence

Maximize your  
influence

- But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light (1 Peter 2:9).
- God calls you to be good stewards of every kind of influence you have.

- Using God's given competencies (SHAPE) to promote goodness in the world, in line with your faith.
- Jesus taught his followers that they are the "salt of the earth" and the "light of the world"

- Making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil (Ephesians 5:16).
- You only have two legitimate reasons to expand your influence—to help people and to share Christ with others.

# What is your Life Purpose?

- What is purpose?
  - Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the Lord's purpose that prevails (Proverbs 19:21)
  - For David...served the purpose of God in his own generation (Acts 13:36, NASB)
  - It directly addresses three core questions: "Why am I alive?", "Does my life matter?", and "What on earth am I here for?"
  - It's the only way to find genuine meaning, reduce stress, and simplify decisions.
- How do you know the purpose?
  - Ask your Creator (not by looking within).
  - The only way to learn this is by turning to God's Word and building a relationship with Jesus Christ, who is the creator.



# Your Life Purpose

- You were created to serve others
  - It is God himself who has made us what we are and given us new lives from Christ Jesus; and long ages ago he planned that we should spend these lives in helping others (Ephesians 2:10, TLB).
- Serving helps you to become like Jesus
  - God is not unjust, he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them (Hebrews 6:10).
- God equipped you with special competencies
  - God has put it into their hearts to accomplish his purpose (Revelation 17:17).
  - Your hands formed and shaped me (Job 10:8, GNT).

# The First Church Fulfilled 5 Purposes

- Those who accepted his message were baptized (Fellowship) and about three thousand were added to their number that day. They devoted themselves (discipleship) to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer... All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need (Ministry). Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God (Worship) and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number (Evangelism) daily those who were being saved (Acts 2:41-47)

# Jesus' Ministry Modeled 5 Purposes

- John 17:1-26
  - I have brought you glory on earth (John 27: 4) (Worship)
  - I revealed you to those whom you gave me out of the world (John 27:6) (Evangelism)
  - I gave them the words you gave me (John 27:8) (Discipleship)
  - While I was with them, I protected them and kept them safe (John 27:12) (Fellowship)
  - As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world (John 27:18) (Ministry)

# The Church Exists to

- Celebrate God's presence (**Worship** - Exalt our Master)
  - Magnify the Lord with me and let us exalt his name together (Psalm 34:3, RSV)
  - I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the Lord's house" (Psalm 122:1, GN)
- Communicate God's word (**Evangelism**)
  - The most important thing is that I complete my mission, the work the Lord gave me to do, to tell people the Good News about God's grace (Acts 20:24, NCV)
  - You will be my witnesses (Acts 1:8)
- Incorporate God's family (**Fellowship**)
  - Encourage our members
  - You are a member of God's very own family...with every other Christian (Ephesians 2:19, LB)
- Educate God's people (**Discipleship**)
  - Educate for maturity
  - Building up the church, the body of Christ, to a position of strength and maturity...until all become full grown in the Lord (Ephesians 4:12-13)
- Demonstrate God's love (**Ministry**)
  - Equip for ministry
  - To prepare God's people for the work of ministry (Ephesians 4:12)

# Five Strategies to Enable Me to Grow

- God wants me to center my life around Him (Worship)
- God wants me to learn to love His family (Fellowship)
- God wants me to cultivate spiritual maturity (Discipleship)
- God wants me to contribute something back (Ministry)
- God wants me to tell others about His love (Mission)