

**Personal Discipleship Plan: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_**

5 Spheres	God's Vision for Your Maturity	Growth Commitments
<b>Individual</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Believes the gospel of Jesus Christ and applies it to <i>every part</i> of life, loving God with <i>all</i> their heart, soul, mind and strength.</li> <li>2. Is baptized, identifying publicly with Christ and the church, proclaiming their new identity in the Father, Son and Spirit.</li> <li>3. Personally abides in Christ and is filled with the Spirit, regularly and consistently going to God's word as the final authority for life, and relying on him through fervent prayer.</li> <li>4. Is regularly being transformed by the renewing of their mind, putting off the old self, putting on the new self in the power and freedom of the Spirit.</li> </ol>	
<b>Family</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Household is oriented around the kingdom purposes of Christ, not dominated by one or two members' personal agendas, priorities or activities.</li> <li>2. Understands and fulfills personal role in the household. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Husband - loves his wife as Christ loves the Church, laying down his life for her, understanding her, and partnering with her in Kingdom work. He leads the family to Christ's priorities for the home.</li> <li>• Wife- submits to and respects her husband as unto the Lord, partnering with him in Kingdom work.</li> <li>• Parent - raises their children in the discipline and instruction of the Lord, not provoking them to anger.</li> <li>• Child- obeys their parents in the Lord and is growing as a disciple under their parents' godly instruction and example.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	
<b>Church</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Humbly participates as a <i>member</i> of the family of families in the work of the ministry: building up the church through their spiritual gift(s), shares the word with other believers (informally or formally), protects and applies sound doctrine, confronts sin, confesses sin, practical hands-on servanthood, intergenerational relationships, material generosity, all other "one anothers" in the scripture.</li> <li>2. Consistently gathers with the family of families for corporate praise, the preaching of the word, prayer, the breaking of bread, and other "church family" events, as well as regularly connecting with other believers throughout the week (i.e. GCs).</li> <li>3. Understands role in the Household of God. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elder- leads in humility and grace, relying on the Spirit and the word.</li> <li>• Non-elder - submits to the elders in the Lord, seeking unity and order as a family of families.</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	
<b>Community</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Prays for those in their sphere of influence who do not know Christ and prays for opportunities to proclaim the gospel.</li> <li>2. Exhibits good works reflective of Christ in business and service, loving their neighbor.</li> <li>3. Frequently and boldly proclaims the truth of Jesus Christ to everyone, making disciples that they seek to connect to the local church.</li> </ol>	
<b>World</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Submits to governing authorities in accordance with their purpose and scope in God's word.</li> <li>2. Prays for and tangibly supports global partners in the gospel through prayer and material support.</li> <li>3. Goes to the nations when called.</li> </ol>	

**God Sized Prayers for this year:**

When making growth commitments, ask yourself...

1. "Which current habits in my life help my growth in Christ and must be maintained or increased?"
2. "Which current habits in my life hinder or slow my growth in Christ and need to be removed or decreased?"
3. "Which new habits could be added to my life to help facilitate growth in Christ?"

### "SPIRIT" Goals

Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit  
says the Lord of Hosts. - Zech. 4:6

- S** Specific & Measurable  
The Spirit convicts in specifics, the devil condemns in generalities
- P** Prayerful Throughout  
Prayer is our access to the Holy Spirit's work
- I** Informed by the Scriptures  
The Spirit will always speak and direct in a way that is consistent with the scriptures he's already inspired
- R** Reliant upon God  
The Spirit wants to lead us into a greater dependence upon the Father, Son and Spirit
- I** Involves biblical community  
We often make personal goals and attack them individually, but we need encouragement, accountability and support.
- T** Timely for my next step  
The Spirit rarely gives us 10 steps down the road, but reveals what he has next for us.

As we create goals, we want to seek out what are GOD'S goals for us, not just our own goals for ourselves. I think this test is a good way to check if we are on the right track.

# Everyone Mature in Christ

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## Big Idea:

Make \_\_\_\_\_  
to \_\_\_\_\_ in maturity in Christ.

## Three Ongoing Steps to Grow Mature in Christ

1. G \_\_\_\_\_ maturity in the hope of Christ's presence in his church.
2. G \_\_\_\_\_ maturity through receiving the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jesus.
3. G \_\_\_\_\_ maturity the \_\_\_\_\_ that it deserves.