



LAUNCHING YOUR FAITH **FAITH ALIVE IN THE 21ST CENTURY**

LESSON 13 **BIBLICAL COMMITMENT**

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John 15:13 (NKJV)

¹³Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.

***“Being a lone sinner is easy,
but being a saint
is a team effort.”***

I. COMMITMENT DEFINED

To give in trust;

To put into the hands or power of another;

To join or put together, To pledge

II. THE EARLY CHURCH

1. ANTIOCH.

*Acts 11:26b (NKJV) ...the
disciples were first called
Christians in Antioch*

***Their commitment resulted in
a visible expression of God's
family.***

**2) Of one heart and purpose,
with a central core of
beliefs/practice.**

**Acts 4:32 (NKJV) ...of one heart and
one soul...**

1 Cor 1:10 (NKJV) ¹⁰ I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but...be perfectly joined together in the same mind and...same judgment.

1 Cor 1:10b (NLT) ¹⁰ Rather, be of one mind, united in thought and purpose.

3) Fellowship was VITAL

Acts 2:46 (NKJV) ⁴⁶ continuing daily with one accord in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they ate their food with gladness and simplicity of heart...

Matthew 18:18-20 (NKJV) ... whatever you bind on earth will be in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. ¹⁹Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven. ²⁰For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."

Hebrews 10:24-25 (NKJV)

24 And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, ***25*** not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching.

***Your local Home Church
provides MINISTRY CARE.***

John 21:16-17 He said to him, "Tend My sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?" . . . And he said to Him, ". . . You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed My sheep."

1 Peter 5:2a Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers.

III. WHY EXPERIENCE COMMITMENT TO YOUR HOME CHURCH?

1) GCC nurtures and develops healthy, functioning sheep.

2) GCC helps you develop closer relationships.

Eph 2:21 In whom the whole building, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.

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...we try to practice love that covers and releases forgiveness...

Relationship with you is more important than the issue.

Proverbs 10:12b Love covers all sins.

**1 Peter 4:8b Love will cover a
multitude of sins. [of inadequacies]**

3. To release natural and spiritual MINISTRY.

Gen 14:14 Now when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive, he armed [KJV = equipped] his three hundred and eighteen trained servants who were born in his own house and went in pursuit as far as Dan.

born, trained, and equipped

SPREAD THE LOAD

Acts 6:3-4 ...seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word.

We look for these qualities:

(1) FAITHFULNESS

Mat 13:12

(2) TEACHABILITY

Luke 18:17

(3) SPEAKING THE SAME WORD

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PROVERBS 6:16-19

**SOWING SEEDS OF DISCORD IS
ABOMINATION TO GOD (SOMETHING
DISGUSTING, ABHORRENT)**

Acts 20:28-30

...take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, among which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to shepherd the church of God which He purchased with His own blood. For I know this, that after my departure savage wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock. Also from among yourselves men will rise up, speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after themselves.

4)To help you be strong for
POSSIBLE TESTING AHEAD

1 Samuel 17:29 And David said . .
.. is there not a cause?

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6. Prayer on your behalf and discerning spiritual PROTECTION.

V. WHAT CAN THE GCC PASTORS/LEADERS EXPECT?

That those for whom GCC is their Home Church will *choose*:

**1. To grow in hearing Jesus' voice,
and know the shepherd's/pastor's
voice**

**John 10:27 My sheep hear My voice, I
know them, and they follow Me.**

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2. To follow Jesus and godly leadership as we follow CHRIST.

Heb 13:7 (NASB)⁷ Remember those who led you, who spoke the word of God to you; and considering the result of their conduct, imitate their faith.

Heb 13:17 (NASB) ¹⁷ Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

1 Cor 4:15-16 For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore, I urge you, imitate me.

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Matthew 5:23-24 ...if you bring your gift to the altar, and there remember that your brother has something against you leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to your brother; then come and offer your gift.

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to the world***

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Launching your Faith

Spread the Word

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GIVE and SHOW JESUS



“Tetelestai”

MISSION
ACCOMPLISHED.