

# What We Believe And Why

#### "Our Mission As A Church"

- Introduction 1. For the next quarter, we will be examining what we believe and why we believe it.
  - 2. For some, it will be a review; for others it will be new information; but hopefully for all, it will provide assurance that we are walking in the path which God has chosen for us.

## I. Why We Need To Study What We Believe And Why

- A. For assurance
- B. We live in an ever-changing world that brings pressure on the church (John 10:35; Matthew 24:35).
- C. We ourselves are resistant to change (Romans 14:10,20).
- D. Our mission need to be restated for the next generation (Judges 2:10).
- E. We, ourselves, need to be reminded lest we become distracted (Hebrews 12:1-2; James 1:24-25).

### II. Our Mission As A Church Is To Bring Glory To Christ

- A. (Ephesians 3:21).
- B. We accomplish this mission by being Christ's point of contact with the world today (Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:13-27; Galatians 2:20).
- C. The contact we make is through our...
  - 1. Message (Mark 16:15;1 Corinthians 1:18,21).
  - 2. Compassion (Acts 10:38; Titus 2:7,14; 3:8,14).
  - 3. Encouragement (Romans 14:19; Hebrews 3:13).

#### Conclusion: 1. Our mission as a church is to bring glory to Jesus.

- 2. We can do that through allowing him the use of our bodies.
- 3. May he use our lips to speak words of hope and salvation; our hands to heal the sick and wounded; and our feet to go where people are in need.