

"There is one body and one Spirit—just as you were called to one hope when you were called—one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all." (Ephesians 4:4-6)

The Church united is called to bring honor and glory to God and represent Jesus to our community and world. We are not competitors, but ______ in a mission that really matters.

"A new command I give you: love one another. As I have loved you so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (John 13:34-35)

The greatest witness of the Church is how we ______. If we are going to be effective in impacting our community, we have to take the very faith we profess and put it into action.

Luke 10:25-37

Within the parable of the Good Samaritan, Jesus gives us a living example of what we should look like as we are ONE church on a mission.

The Church is called to...

- 1. Go to the ______ where people are far from God.
 - "came to the place where the man was..." (Verse 33)
- 2. Look for ______ who are in places of need.
 - "when he saw him he took pity on him." (Verse 33)
- 3. Have a bias to ______ and be willing to serve.
 - "He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine." (Verse 34)
- 4. Be willing to pay the _____ of caring.
 - "The next day he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper." "...when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have." (Verse 35)
- 5. Live out the _____ of God.
 - "The expert in the law replied, 'The one who had mercy on him.' Jesus told him, 'Go and do likewise." (Verse 37)

As the Church demonstrates and declares the love of Jesus, we become an impacting force in our community and world.

Answers: partners; love; places; people; action; cost; mercy

