



# **CHRISTIAN FAITH**

## **F E L L O W S H I P**

**We are Not a perfect Church**

**We are Not a Perfect People**

**We are here because we Know we need God's Help**

**We know He has provided that help through Jesus Christ**

## Accountability Questions

- Did you spend at least 5 minutes a day – at least 5 days last week reading/hearing the Bible?
- Did you share a God story with someone this week?
- Did you spend time alone with God this week? (no agenda)
- Do you know what the Holy Spirit is saying to you?
- Are you giving as God has asked you to give? (T, T, R)
- Did you invite someone to church with you this week (giving out a Come Join Us card)?
- Each 1 Reach 1 Teach 1 (Matthew 28:18-20)

**Romans 12** 1 And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. 2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect. 3 Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us.

4 Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, 5 so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. 6 In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. 7 If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. 8 If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.

9 Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong...

**Matthew 28** 18 Jesus came and told his disciples, "I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. 19 Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. 20 Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have

given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

**Acts 1** 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

**Matthew 5** 14 “You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. 15 No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. 16 In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.



**CFF is called to:**

**Radiate the love of Christ**

**Reach the Lost and the Saved in order to**

**Restore them into fully mature followers of Christ**

- Since this is what God has called us to be and do – what part of the mission does God have you serving in?

- People God used: Abraham & Sarah – both seniors BEFORE God revealed what He had planned for their lives! And they laughed at what God told them He would do – AND it took 25 years before it happened!
- Jacob – his name means deceiver became Israel = the namesake of the Nation of Israel
- Moses – another senior citizen that started his ministry at 80! Murderer - did not want to do God's will he was full of excuses why he couldn't, shouldn't
- Rahab – prostitute (in the lineage of Jesus)
- Gideon – fearful warrior – needed multiple assurances that God would give victory

- David – Shepherd boy – not even invited in for the big dinner by his own father
- Jonah – ran the opposite way when God called Him
- Amos – a tree farmer
- Peter – denied Jesus with curses
- Matthew – Tax collector
- Paul – murderer of Christians – his mission was to destroy the church
- Just a Small number of examples to help us understand – God wants to use You and there are NO excuses that will justify your NOT BEING USED!

## **Action Steps**

- Are you a born again follower of Jesus Christ?
- Fasting Feb 24-March 7: how to move your number up 1 spot! (1-10)
- Do you know your place in the body?
- How are you living your faith through the week and how does that fulfill God's mission?
- When you think of what God wants from you - is there an excuse that dismisses God's call?