

I Am a Member

A Member is Committed

My understanding of what the church is will shape my life and my living [and my church]. ~adapted from Jonathan Leeman, Rediscovering Church (pg. 23)

1. A member is committed to loving other _____.

- John 15:34-35, Romans 5:7-8, Ephesians 5:1-2,

➤ God showed us that love is a verb, an action.

The cross shows us that Christian love involves a passion that leads to action. Jesus didn't merely say he loved us – he demonstrated it. ~Tony Merida, Love Your Church. (pg. 89)

A. Love is not rude.

B. Love is not selfish.

➤ How often do I put you before me?

C. Love is not easily provoked.

➤ I love others by not letting my buttons be pushed.

D. Love thinks no evil.

E. Love bears all things.

➤ Love bears all things; love does not share all things.

F. Love believes the best.

G. Love never fails.



One of the most remarked-upon aspects of the early church was how they cared for one another. If someone spied on your church today, would they remark about the same thing? Or would they say something like, "Behold, how they criticize one another!" "Behold, how they gossip about one another!" "Behold, how polite they are toward one another, but not authentically caring toward one another." ~Tony Merida, Love Your Church. (pg. 76)

2. A member is committed to loving _____.

A. By seeing them as God does.

B. By sharing the Gospel with them.

3. A member is committed to making _____ a _____.

- Hebrews 10:24-25

I personally encourage young people to view faithfulness to church as attending forty-eight out of fifty-two Sundays a year. ~Rob Green Tying the Knot. (pg. 119)

➤ Making church a priority is a good habit to develop.

I sometimes meet a Christian who gathers weekly and is not thriving in their faith, but I have yet to meet a Christian who does not join the gathering and who is. ~Tony Merida, Love Your Church. (pg. 59)

4. A member is committed to _____.

- Malachi 3:9, 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, 2 Corinthians 9:7, Mark 12:41-44, Luke 21:1-4

What has God shown me I need to do in to be a

_____ committed member?

