



**First Baptist Church Exists to
Make Disciples of Jesus Christ By...**

Truthfully **TEACHING** God's Word

Sacrificially **LOVING** One Another

Selflessly **SERVING** Others

Faithfully **ENGAGING** Our World

To make disciples we must be "truthfully teaching God's Word" if we are to be "teaching" disciples "to observe all" that Jesus "commanded" (Mt. 28:20).

First Baptist must be truthfully teaching and preaching God's Word so people learn from and grow in Jesus as his disciples.

Truthfully Teaching God's Word, Makes Us a Church Where People...

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"The sacred writings" of the Old and New Testaments are written to make people disciples of Jesus Christ (Jn. 6:63).

"Firmly believed" is an unshakable faith that disciples have in the word of God (Jn. 6:68).

"Knowing" is a spiritual conviction a disciple sees lived out in the lives of those "from whom" they have learned (2:14).

Disciples Believe in Jesus By...

1) -----
"So faith comes from hearing and hearing through the word of Christ."-Romans 10:17

FBC Chickamauga makes disciples by being a church where the word is communicated truthfully through the medium of teaching and preaching (1 Tim. 4:13; 2 Tim. 4:2).

2) -----
Becoming a disciple of Jesus begins with believing the word of Jesus (5:24; 1 Jn. 3:14).

"If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples."-Jesus in John 8:31

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Inspired by God literally means Scripture is "breathed out by God" as the word of God was created by the breath of God (16a).

Scripture is not a human document but rather a divinely-inspired book that was produced by

men who were instruments under the directing influence of God the Holy Spirit (2 Pet. 1:19-21).

"Teaching" means the word educates and instructs and is used of both the act of teaching and the content of what is said in that teaching.

"Reproof" refers to warning disciples by pointing to sin in their beliefs and lives while "correction" means to restore something by returning it to a right state.

"Training" was originally used of the training and discipline employed in growing a child into an adult; here it used of training disciples to live out what is right in God's eyes.

Disciples Grow in Jesus By...

1) -----
"Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts."-Jeremiah 15:16

The disciple longs to take in the breath of God in his inspired word.

2) -----
"Study to show yourself approved to God, a workman who needs not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."-2 Timothy 2:15

For you to grow as a disciple you have to "train...for godliness...for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way" (1 Tim. 4:7-8).

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"Complete" means the word of God is capable and competent to handle all you place on it and conversely will make you capable to live as a disciple.

"Equipped" means to be furnished, fully outfitted, in one's abilities and capacities.

Disciples are designed to live out good works in the world so others will want to become disciples of Jesus (Jn. 14:12; Eph. 2:10).

Disciples Live for Jesus By...

1) -----
Disciples know the word reveals the comprehensive will of God for who you are and how you should live (Ps. 19:7-14).

Disciples live knowing the word speaks to every situation they face in life and matures them while equipping them.

2) -----
The disciples should know *what* they believe, *why* they believe it and *how* to communicate it to others.

"Our Gospel came to you not only in word, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction."-1 Thessalonians 1:5

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