

Are we having fun?

Nehemiah 8:10

Proverbs 12:25

Philippians 4:4, 8

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Hebrews 3:13

High Belief and Trust

?? **“Believing in you...”**

?? **Dream for other people — who believed in you?**

?? **Believe in others**

Are we valuing people?

Are we empowering people for effective ministry?

Is this, and are we, real and authentic?

1 Samuel 23:16

Isaiah 12:2

1 Timothy 6:11-16

Hebrews 11:6; 12:1a

7. Love Consumed

?? Like the burning bush

?? John Wesley—“I just light myself on fire and people come to watch me burn!”

Does this increase our love for God and each other?

Do we have a deep empathy for those in need?

Are we accepting of each other with personal accountability?

Are we choosing to speak the truth in love?

Do we resolve conflicts?

Are we free of gossip?

Matthew 22:36-40

John 13:35

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

Ephesians 4:14-16; 29-32

Philippians 1:9-11

1 John 3:16-18; 4:7-8

the fruit of values

fruit of the spirit = who you are
fruit of experiences = where you've been

“If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being likeminded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus...”
-- Philippians 2:1-5

fruit of values = what you believe
?? You are what you value...

what do we value as a church?

value what scripture values

value what you're passionate about

value what produces fruit

?? Often we value things that simply make us feel good—instead of valuing what is most effective for the kingdom... what is most honoring to God. Value things that achieve HIS dream for the vineyard

stated vs. expressed values

?? Expression is what validates values

The 7 Values in The Fruitful Life (with passages to make comment on...)

1. Prayer

Immersed

?? *O what peace we often forfeit, O what needless pain we bear, All because we do not carry everything to God in prayer*

Have we prayed about this?

How have we prayed about this?

How long have we prayed?

Ezra 8:23

Matthew 18:19; 21:22

Luke 6:12 Acts 4:31

Philippians 4:6-7

Colossians 4:2-5

Hebrews 4:16

James 5:13-16

2. Biblically Grounded

?? **The Anchor!** (The Badger story from TFL) - the bigger the ministry the bigger the anchor

Is this consistent with God's Word and ways?

Is this truthful?

Will this last?

Ezra 7:10

Psalms 119:105

Isaiah 55:8-11

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Hebrews 4:12

3. God-Led

Is God at work in this?

Are we joining God in His work?

Is God exalted in this?

Is this God honoring and reflective of His glory?

Are we giving God our all?

Are we willingly following?

Proverbs 3:5-6; 16:3

Isaiah 30:21

John 5:17

Ephesians 2:10; 5:1

Philippians 2:13

Colossians 3:17, 24

1 Peter 2:21

4. Shared Life in Team and Community

*Our transition at SLWC

*Story of people reading *The Fruitful Life*

Are we doing this together?

Are relationships developing as we serve?

Are we deeply sharing life together?

Are we using our God-given gifts?

Acts 2:42-47

Romans 12:4-13

1 Corinthians 12:12, 18, 27

Ephesians 4:1-6, 11-16

Hebrews 10:23-25

5. Encouraging and Joy- filled —hilarious giving

2 Corinthians 9:7 — Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (the word Cheerful can mean “hilarious”)

Are we building each other up?

Do we have a positive attitude?

Is this increasing our joy?