Begin Anew

Belonging with Purpose and Unity January 6, 2019

- 1. What motivates Crossroads?
 - Tradition?
 - A Central Personality?
 - Finances?
 - Programs?
- 2. Why does Crossroads exist?
 - FOLLOW JESUS. LOVE PEOPLE. MAKE DISCIPLES.
 - The Great Commandment (Mt. 22:37-40).
 - The Great Commission (Mt. 28:19-20).
 - The Healthy Church (Acts 2:42-47).
- 3. Summary of Scriptures:
 - 1. Love God (Matthew 22:37)
 - 2. Love others (Matthew 22:39)
 - 3. Love ourselves as God loves us (Matthew 22:39)
 - 4. Make disciples (Matthew 28:19)
 - 5. Study the Word of God (Acts 2:42)
 - 6. Fellowship with one another (Acts 2:42)
 - Celebrate the ordinances of baptism (Matthew 28:19) and the Lord's Table (Acts 2:42)
 - 8. Pray (Acts 2:42)
 - 9. Meet the needs of others (Acts 2:45)
 - 10. Worship (Acts 2:47).







6. God has given each of us the ability to do certain things well. So, if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out when you have faith that God is speaking through you. If your gift is that of serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, do a good job of teaching. If your gift is to encourage others, do it! If you have money, share it 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 (Ro. 12:6-8, NLT).



8. KNOW: How much of a priority is it to you to worship together weekly with those who share your beliefs, your like-mindedness, and your common values? Do you build your week around this belonging?

9. GROW: Are you plugged into a small group of some sort to know others and to be known by others at a *meaningful* level? Be it Youth or YA or Men's and Women's Connections?

10. GIVE: When was the last time you gave your time or shared some resource to help someone else? Have you discerned your spiritual giftedness? How are you using your gifts in service of the church? Are you giving money to the church – as generously and sacrificially as possible?

11. GO: How are you reaching out to others with the gospel – either on your own or with the help of your church family – either locally or globally? Let me end there – with a couple of cool – I believe – God-crafted opportunities to reach out locally...

12. TAKE HOME Q: How will you be involved in ministering to others?