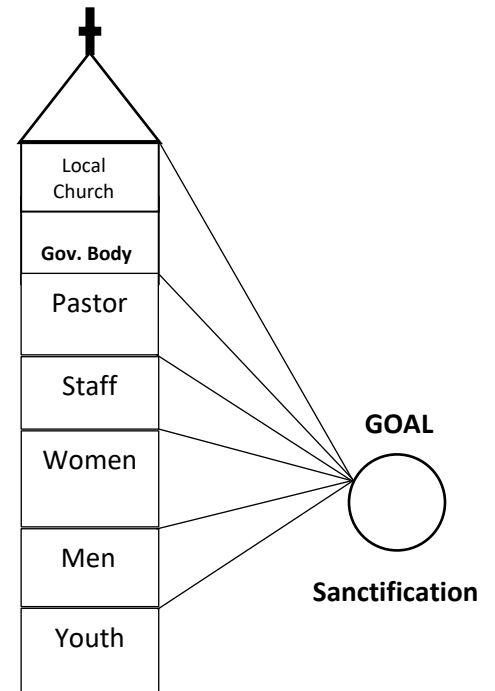


Lesson 2

The Foundation for On the Way LIFE Plan Discipling

- **Purpose:** Glorify God! (John 17; Ephesians 3:21)
 - How did Jesus glorify God on earth?
 - He revealed, by the enabling of the Holy Spirit, what God is like. “If you have seen me, you have seen the Father.”
 - How can we glorify God on earth?
 - By the same Holy Spirit’s enabling to reveal, through our personal and corporate lives what God is like.
- **Goal:** Great Commission Disciples (Christlikeness) (Matthew 28:20)
 - Who is qualified to give the great goal to the church?
 - Lord Jesus: Matthew 28:18
 - Where is it recorded?
 - Matthew 28:18-20
 - What is it usually called?
 - Great Commission
 - Why is there so much confusion over what it means?
 - We’re in a spiritual battle.
 - What is the great **omission** in the Great Commission?
 - “To obey.”



- What are the results of the great omission?
 - Obedience nurtures a Christ dependency. Bible education without obedience weans people away from Christ dependency and nurtures a knowledge dependency. As a result, it nurtures a lifestyle of knowing more about what one is experiencing less and less. Hence, there are millions who were more vital and fruitful when they first believed than after becoming knowledgeable.
- **Let's define the greatness of our Lord's Great Commission!**
 - How long does it take to make a disciple?
 - A little longer than a lifetime. (Even Paul had not "attained.")
 - What contributes to making disciples?
 - Anything worth doing if done in the Spirit. (Preaching – teaching – music – facilities – administration, etc.)
 - Why are these questions important?
 - We need to view what is proposed (anything new) not as a rejection of what has been, or is, but as something that may supplement our existing strength and cause us to be more effective than ever.
 - How can we minimize the fear of legalism regarding the stress of obedience?
 - Help people understand that as a child of God, alive in the Spirit, they are entitled to experience His enabling to obey His commands.