



CBCYG Goals

Bible Study 2022

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Life is Short. Be a Good Steward.



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Christians Look Outside Themselves!

I. Love Souls



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What does corporate solidarity mean according to Rom. 8:1-13?



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A sunset over a body of water with a silhouette of an hourglass in the foreground. The sun is low on the horizon, creating a golden glow and a reflection on the water. The hourglass is positioned on the right side of the frame, with its top bulb partially filled with sand. The background shows a dark sky and a dark horizon line.

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What did you hear in this clip?

- Glorify God - putting God on display
- This is our purpose
- Impossible to be happy outside of Him
- Trust God – relinquish love for everything else
- Fruit is not produced on its own – points to its source
- Your job – abide/remain/ be at home/ live through God
- Includes analysis correction



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We see this in I Peter 2:4-5. What stands out?

- Something of value to God which man would reject : **Jesus**
- We are built on Christ as living stones, each with place in spiritual house
- Offerings going up to Him that are acceptable



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**What was God's purpose/intent for His people in the following verses:
Isaiah 42:6, 12, 43:21, 49:6, 52:10, 60:3, Psalm 102:18, Luke 1:72,75, Acts 14:37**

- A light to the nations – Is. 42:6
- Give glory through declaration of praise – Is. 42:12
- Blessing His people in a way that His power is displayed – Is. 52:9-10
- It goes beyond you – Ps. 102:18
-  Serve Him all our days – Luke 1:72

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How did Jesus fit into this picture according to the following verses?



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What do you see in Revelation 5:9-10 that shows God's final intent for His people?



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Now, put I Peter 2:4-5 in a larger context. Who are you and where do you get your identity according to I Pet. 2:9-10?



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Put I Peter 2:4-5 in a larger context. What is the focus, where is the action, and why is it important in verses I Peter 2:4-8?



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Put I Peter 2:4-5 in a larger context. How does I Peter 2:1-3 lead to I Peter 2:4-10?



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Put I Peter 2:4-5 in a larger context. How do I Peter 2:5, 9, 11-12 fit with what we've looked at from our Old Testament look at the people of God?



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How would I Peter 2:12 cause others to glorify God?



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What is the main message of II Timothy 2:19-22?



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How does II Timothy 2:15, 3:16-17 fit with how God puts us together to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God?



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What is CENTRAL to fulfilling what God has for us according to John 16:12-15 & Romans 8:12-17? How would we make this central?



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What else changes when we live according to the Word by the Spirit of God according to Galatians 5:22-23? Sum these up?



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What do you see in Galatians 5:13-26 that reminds us of Romans 8 (corporate solidarity, etc.) and what we've discussed already in our definition of church and how does it change the focus/picture a little bit?



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From where do these fruits of the Spirit come? How does yielding to the Spirit produce these?



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We have this beautiful, picture of God's people that we have gathered from Scripture. What do you think keeps this from taking place? Why is there such a focus on options with churches and disagreements, conflicts, and pain inside the churches and among Christians?



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What does Eph. 1:22-23 and Eph. 2:19-22 add/remind us that is essential?



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What stands out in Ephesians 5:21-33 about submission that is different than how we think of authority and submission?



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Colossians 2:18-19?



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II Timothy 2:15-19?



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- I. Love Souls**
- II. Teach Roles**



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YG Goals—Statement 2 #1
CBCYG September 8, 2022

Intro: Fitting In youtube https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gfCrM10xc_o What did you see?
Good/Concerns? Is there ONE place for you? Who Decides? Will you know? Where do you fit? You had better figure this out, b/c **Life is Short, Be a Good Steward;** Where did this whole series of 3 statements, 3 purposes for YG originate? From recognition that we have totally different reasons for coming to youth group; we said things like? why do people come to Youth Group? What part does Christian have to do with those reasons/Even when SAY/DESIRE God/grow/these talks/Christian relationships, what is danger? Who determines if these things are taking place, and what happens if those reasons for coming stop? (Ie. it's fun—what happens when no longer fun? Stop, go somewhere else); which means, you are interacting w people whom you don't really know—but building relationships that at any time could be broken—thrown away as pursue those things you value that brought you here; so important to discuss goals at youth group to give pause to everyone taking what want & going own way; THIS series came off another series as decided things changing—not caring for Word of God; not willing to sit under it, study it; that study was based on Pr. 1:7 what line does this draw? Who is wise, who is foolish; all center's around God; one of the aspects of the fear of Lord we studied were that as it grows, **God's words would matter more than your own—** Why must we listen to God's words? B/c He is Creator, Sovereign Sustainer, Final Judge—when He speaks, we listen; If answer to Him, Get ready for His assessment, He & His purposes are more valuable than anything else; His desires must become yours/your life; therefore, if life is short, answer to Him, if do nothing else, what should you do according to Him? **Love Souls** Rom. 13:8-14; Deut. 6:4-5 **God's goal for His creation involves other people**, responding to them as He calls you to; Want you to hear God's Word as primary, want you to start learning how to live it out here—love these souls—what will make that hard? That's why we need a bigger framework for what we are doing here, you see, there IS no YG in the Bible, looked at bunch of passages telling Christians what to do, how to act, but NO Youth Group—then how does YG fit in God's plan? At BEST, if done right/under God, **The Youth Group is a Microcosm of the Church** couple of terms; **Microcosm?** online def. A community, place, or situation regarded as encapsulating in miniature the characteristic features of something much larger. Now, what does this sentence mean? the youth group is going to have some characteristic features of church; so we worked last year on a definition; how much can you remember? **The church is a group of people, 1. Created and loved by God.** Eph. 5:22-23—whatever it

says about marriage, what does it say about the church? What do you think proper response would be to this? 2. **Tied by their relationship with God**

One or two light to the nations passages, Is. 43, I Pet. 2:1-10; what will make them praiseworthy? Rom. 8:29 – leads to Rev. praise forever—

cleansed saints praising forever
NOT FOR OUR PURPOSE

SHOW VIDEOS ABOUT CHURCH

Perhaps fit this part in when work on packet after youth trip; NT:

people for His own possession, zealous for good deeds; turned from idols to SERVE the living God—Abraham, go, and I will—so he WENT -- mission comes from God; who for? People of God—who are the people of God? those who love God—who loves God? I Jn. 4:7-8 those born of God Expectations; I Pet. 2:7-8 I Pet. 2:1-10

--changed life b/c of changed heart--Rom. 8:29, Tit. 2, Heb. 9:28

IF church is relationship of God w His people—people for His own possession—loves them, they love Him I Pet. 2—and these people have purpose/mission—proclaim Him, He working to make like His Son Rom. 8:29, they on display as God uses them together w diff.

abilities/gifts/sins to make like His Son,

How could youth group be microcosm of this? do you see how youth group could be a tool to help prepare you for this?

No youth group—people of God or not—slowly learning about His love, feeding our love for Him; learning to listen to Him, what HE wants, not what we want—THAT tied to how we interact w others—they not here for us, we here for God, we care for them like God would (either bring to Christ, or grow in Christ—care as He would—from love souls)

Sum up so far: what should you focus on at youth group/try to do that would make youth group more pleasing to God IF youth group as a microcosm of the church seeks to lift up what is valued in these passages?

What would keep us from doing this adequately? No training, no common identity/goals, not seeing God's big picture—Therefore, we are here to TEACH ROLES

Love God, by recognizing His love for You—yield to Him for salvation, get Spirit—fruit includes love of God; see He called you for His purpose—what is purpose of church? Among other things, it is there to . . .

Start this as move into Teach Roles; VIDEOS FOR USE

Church isn't for your use—it's for His—Piper

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zqHS7IBlvHM>

Chose not b/c mighty, but to show His love; to be light to gentiles (I Pet. 2 backs that up) leads to Rev.

Tied to first goal—first goal was to love souls—what keeps us from that? But NOT just asking you to be a better/non-selfish you—asking what? (love as I love you—how are we to do that? In saving way, love like God—how

does that happen? Looking to Him, loving Him—we love Him b/c He first loved us—do you value that? (perhaps honestly have to say no—then think carefully whether truly regenerate—born again makes you sacrifice, study, look for knowing Him—THAT's what do for what love (being saved not just a choice, it's a heart change/direction—love HIM—only God can make that happen

I say church, you say? Put our new definition in here Gathering of people, collection of people (for any number of purposes) **I Pet. 2:1-10**, called out ones—for? proclaim His excellencies, fit together to worship—point to Him, not ourselves; **you will** either build life on Christ, or? stumble on Him; **how** does v. 11 fit w **Eph. 2:19 vv. 13-21?** **Col. 1:13-14**--God loves the church; works through the church—His Body; not an organization; an organism, people/relationships; we work together; **what contrast** stands out in **I Cor. 12:12, 14, 18-20, 24-25, 27** – **as part of body, always have a tension; individual responsibility** (saved by self; coming to church does not save you; you accepting Christ's payment for your sins, you bowing the knee not to CBC, but to Christ, if church/spouse/etc. not holding to Word, you answer for yourself) **v. working together** (you are not your own I Cor. 6:20); **there is no obedient Christian** who is not desiring to be immersed in the local church; **must fulfill all of God's roles for us w/o over/under emphasizing any—Tall Order!** **Applic. Youth group is not the end** (it is where I grow, it is where I have fun) but tool – we need to focus back to where God's heart is; (Incorporate November 1 from below—Also, perhaps show “They've already gone” Almost Christian, Giving Up Gimmicks) Therefore—our Purpose, **2. Teach Roles** --where do I fit into His program?

what's important in Romans 12:1-21?

If the church was filled with “Christians” like you, how would it do in these areas? How Do You Know Your Church is Healthy Tim Challies

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gzNk67pCvE0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZuymLoM8MT8> Mark Dever Healthy Church

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aVnKXiqdzMw> Todd Friele 5 marks of a healthy church

Tim Challies: Does Church Membership Really Matter

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oKFEG1QITyk>

Sinclair Ferguson Why Should I become a formal church member

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=95jOUC3nNI>

Paul Washer: The Importance of Church Membership

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fcw4830tKQA>

Alastair Begg Membership Matters

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SAwgzQC0ETk&list=RDLVSAwgzQC0ETk&start_radio=1&rv=SAwgzQC0ETk&t=1235 (work on sections of this or play whole thing? 38 minutes

(read books, read Bible first)

What questions need to be answered even as much has to take place before embrace w heart?

WHO would embrace w heart? WHY do you think people are nervous about this?

we work together (I Cor. 12) – as part of body, always have a tension; individual responsibility (if church/spouse/etc. not holding to Word, you answer for yourself) v. working together (you are not your own I Cor. 6:20); there is no obedient Christian who is not desiring to be involved in a local church; you, your time, your family, your priorities are His to do with as He pleases) must fulfill all of God's roles for us w/o over/under emphasizing any—Tall Order!

What is needed to fulfill all these things we've talked about as a people under holy God with call to holiness—deeds matter, must do it together, etc.?

Character, training, goals, roles

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helping them see that all in life sent from God to make us a more useful vessel for Him **II Tim. 2:19-21, Eph. 2:10, II Tim. 3:16-17** how does this live? What do you need to be useful? Gifts/abilities, but also goal, how to work w others—where do the problems come in?

What do you think teaches people about their PLACE—staying in their place; what has happened to that? What if people don't know their role or stay in their place? Where would we find that place?

1. FIRST, under God—we've talked much about this, so just summary

What happens if we don't REALLY believe this no matter what we say?

2. Under God-ordained authority—

happens in different spheres of life (home, church, government) while we give this out, we are learning as well, (do you have teachable heart? how do you respond to what you consider "bad/wrong" authority? Lord doesn't teach us/test us in little seminars, nice classroom setting, it comes in life—that's what trying to do—live life in front of seeking to be useful for Master, learning to be His as plays out in body of Christ Youth Group isn't focus—relationships – first w God, then w all others in life – authorities, etc.; learning to serve one another **Phil. 2:15-17, II Tim. 4:5-6** How do you fit in each situation? How can you serve one another? Eph. 4 tail end, **I Cor. 12** (focus not me/my gifts—but as Lord works, things stand out—doesn't let me off hook to serve other areas)

Eph. 4:11ff. 5:22ff. .

Teach Roles: Jn. 10 good shepherd—we are sheep, He is Master, we are? **Make Disciples** – deal w clear gospel presentation—not just follow, but believe—otherwise always feel guilty, etc. justification, etc. what do these verses do to the Great Commission? **Matt. 28:19-20** means not just chore, not just invite people to your "religion," it means that you are to Matt. 10:21-23 cf. II Tim.

2:11-13, Jude 21 – hated by all (actually all of Matt. 10 valid) (See Carson For Love of God on January 10)

I Pet. 2-3 following description of people of God is what? authority; God has ordained church, family, government—each have their place, but all are stewards of God's authority for His purposes; **1. Local Church provides accountability** that is why the YG runs not on own, but under authority of the church, pushing you into the church—many parachurch ministries run outside of the local church—dangerous, why? b/c takes the place of, becomes free from accountability; saps from life of church (do you have teachable heart? how do you respond to what you consider "bad/wrong" authority? If you don't agree w your local church, do you seek to do your own thing anyway? **Next** What is b/n Eph. 4 description of church & Eph. 5 description? Eph. 4:11ff. 5:22ff. **2. The Local church provides the testing ground for your Christianity; Lord doesn't teach us/test us in little seminars, nice classroom setting, it comes in life; what happens** in life different from TV show? messes that don't get resolved right away (people you can't stand that can't get out of your life)—that's what trying to do—live life in front of seeking to be useful for Master, learning to be His as plays out in body of Christ;

Perhaps do Romans 12 here?????

what happens if we pull away from the local church—can't the same things happen outside? Yes, but provides a survival of the fittest mentality—how? if don't see ministry that fits inside, look outside; if not forced to look at people (hold up directory), won't notice—overflow leaks outside the church (neighbors, other Christians)

ONE MORE THING--**I Cor. 12:18 (context)** **3. The local church provides a place for you to be needed** (focus not me/my gifts, but? how those gifts useful IN body) (don't need to find your gifts, but need to serve) **Gal. 5:13-14** there is something missing when you follow your own dreams & are not willing to tie yourself to God's people in a particular place --**Now answer the question: How is the YG** a microcosm of the church (accountability, closeness which exposes flesh, place where you have special place working for kingdom—**Heb. 6:10** all @ roles, Youth Group isn't focus—relationships – first w God, then w all others in life; learning to serve one another **How do you fit in each situation? How can you serve one another?**

Intro to New Year—YG Goals (from advisor mtg.)

CBCYG November 1, 2007

—purposes that drive YG—3 Statements leading to 3 Purposes

Life is short. Be a good steward. Why is time so important for the Christian? b/c not yours, steward; be very selective prioritize **Purpose 1. Love Souls**—selfless love not possible unless God changes your selfish heart; you are not doing this—outside or inside **Applic.** how can you work on this more right here at YG, carry it outside of here **Youth Group is a Microcosm of the Church as a Whole. Applic.** Youth group is not the

end (it is where I grow, it is where I have fun) but tool—God loves the church; works through the church—His Body; not an organization; an organism, people/relationships; we work together; we need to focus back to where God's heart is; **What will make the church** important to you? what was the problem with those Christian teens we read about last week (maybe us)? Walking away from the church? not necessarily—BUT **Eph. 1:22-23, Col. 2:18-19** (what determines what is fleshly? one not submitting to Head) --**according to** these verses, to be a Christian means what? to be connected to the Head—where He is, I am; what He does, I do; What He wants, I want—what is the issues at stake in order to make you think like this? roles/authority **Therefore**—our Purpose, **2. Teach Roles** --**where** do I fit into His program? **II Tim. 2:19-21**, want to be what? vessel of honor, useful to Master; **what** does **Eph. 2:8-10** add to this? God made me for purpose greater than saving me--how will I find out about my God-given roles? **II Tim. 3:16-17** --what do you call group of people connected to the Head? body/church --find first thing learn about roles -- **1. Local Church provides accountability** how? why? (who decides what is fleshly, what is connected to the Head—we often like cancer cells—**Explain**; **why do** we like substitute teachers in school—often clueless & have little authority--lets go back to passages describing church--**I Pet. 2-3 following description** of people of God is what? authority; **following Eph. 4-5** on church is what? authority, manner of acting inside church; **God has ordained church, family, government**—each have their place, but all are stewards of God's authority for His purposes; that is why the YG runs not on own, but under authority of the church, pushing you into the church—many parachurch ministries run outside of the local church—**dangerous, why?** b/c takes the place of, becomes free from accountability; saps from life of church (**do you have teachable heart? how do you respond to what you consider “bad/wrong” authority?** If you don't agree w your local church, do you seek to do your own thing anyway? **Next** **What is b/n Eph. 4 description** of church & Eph. 5 description? Eph. 4:11ff. 5:22ff. **2. The Local church provides the testing ground for your Christianity;** **Lord doesn't teach us/test us in little seminars, nice classroom setting, it comes in life;** **what happens** in life different from TV show? messes that don't get resolved right away (people you can't stand that can't get out of your life)—that's what trying to do—live life in front of seeking to be useful for Master, learning to be His as plays out in body of Christ; **what happens if** we pull away from the local church—**can't the same things** happen outside? Yes, but provides a survival of the fittest mentality—**how?** if don't see ministry that fits inside, look outside; if not forced to look at people (**hold up directory**), won't notice—overflow leaks outside the church (neighbors, other Christians) **Applic.** we want YG to be testing ground preparing you for more in body of Christ **ONE MORE THING--I Cor. 12:18-20 (context); what** stands out? **3. The local church provides a place for you to be needed** (focus not me/my gifts, but? how those gifts useful IN body) (don't need to find your gifts, but need

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