

FOOTHILLS BIBLE CHURCH

CORE VALUES

Gospel-Centered: Grace over Moralism

- This means we are more sinful in ourselves than we'd ever dare believe, yet at the same time we are more loved in Jesus than we'd ever dare hope. Ephesians 2:8-9
- We believe the Christian life begins with grace through faith at salvation and continues with grace through sanctification. We look only to Jesus for our righteousness and reject the motivation to try and earn Jesus' love through our morality. In fact, over the years we'll see more of our sin and join the Apostle Paul in saying we are the chief of sinners, but radically loved by Jesus. We grow in spiritual maturity through repentance and remembering the grace of Jesus.

Journey-Minded: Incremental over Instant

- This means we eagerly seek the Holy Spirit's transformation through scripture reading, meditation and steps of faith. 2 Corinthians 3:18
- We're committed to the daily surrender to the Holy Spirit, asking Him to transform our hearts away from the ways of the world. The great news is, He promises to transform us to become like Jesus. What a gift! Getting rid of our old sinful nature is not determined by our efforts.

Relationally-Driven: Investment over Isolation

- This means we move toward our brothers and sisters in Christ to love them like Jesus loves us. John 13:34-35
- We practice intentionally loving others in the context of authentic relationships. We make time for one another. We move toward friendships of support, fun, accountability, sharpening, and loving one another. God designed us to flourish spiritually as we gather in groups, talk about God's Word, pray together and share the ups and downs of life. Being in relationships brings a richness to life.

Action-Oriented: Give over Get

- This means we act in faith as Jesus leads and instructs us to follow Him to serve others. Mark 10:45
- We are committed to modeling the lifestyle of Jesus by giving ourselves. We give our time with the mindset of making the world a better place. We use our giftings by looking for ways to maximize the spiritual gifts God has given us. We give our resources generously with a cheerful heart. We find our greatest joy in giving instead of getting. Many of the big plans God has for our lives are discovered as we see and sacrificially serve others.

Welcoming-Focused: Everyone over Exclusive

- This means we are thoughtful and proactive in creating a loving and welcoming environment so everyone can hear about the love of Jesus. 2 Corinthians 6:3, 1 Corinthians 9:22
- We see people right where they are and seek to remove any unnecessary obstacle, so everyone feels welcome taking their next step toward knowing Jesus. All of us are at different stages of our journey of faith. We honor each person's journey and seek to join the Holy Spirit's work by welcoming everyone to our church family.

