

The CGR Course

A four week experience to help you find your way to the three great callings of any disciple of Jesus Christ: to CONNECT with God, GROW with others, and REACH the world.

Week 4: Reach the World

God is passionate about our world. “For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life (John 3:16).” God invites us to participate in his passion to change our world. In this session we will discuss how God calls us to reach our world in our everyday lives. We will also discuss the ways that Parkside Church is structured to Reach the World.

A Missional Lifestyle

Definition of a missional lifestyle:

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. 2Corinthians 5:20

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age. Matthew 28:19-20

A Different Kind of Evangelism is:

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Impact List:

Most of us have friends or family who don't have a personal relationship with Jesus. Think about the people in your life who could use some help in taking the next step in their spiritual lives. Write the names you come up with in the space below.

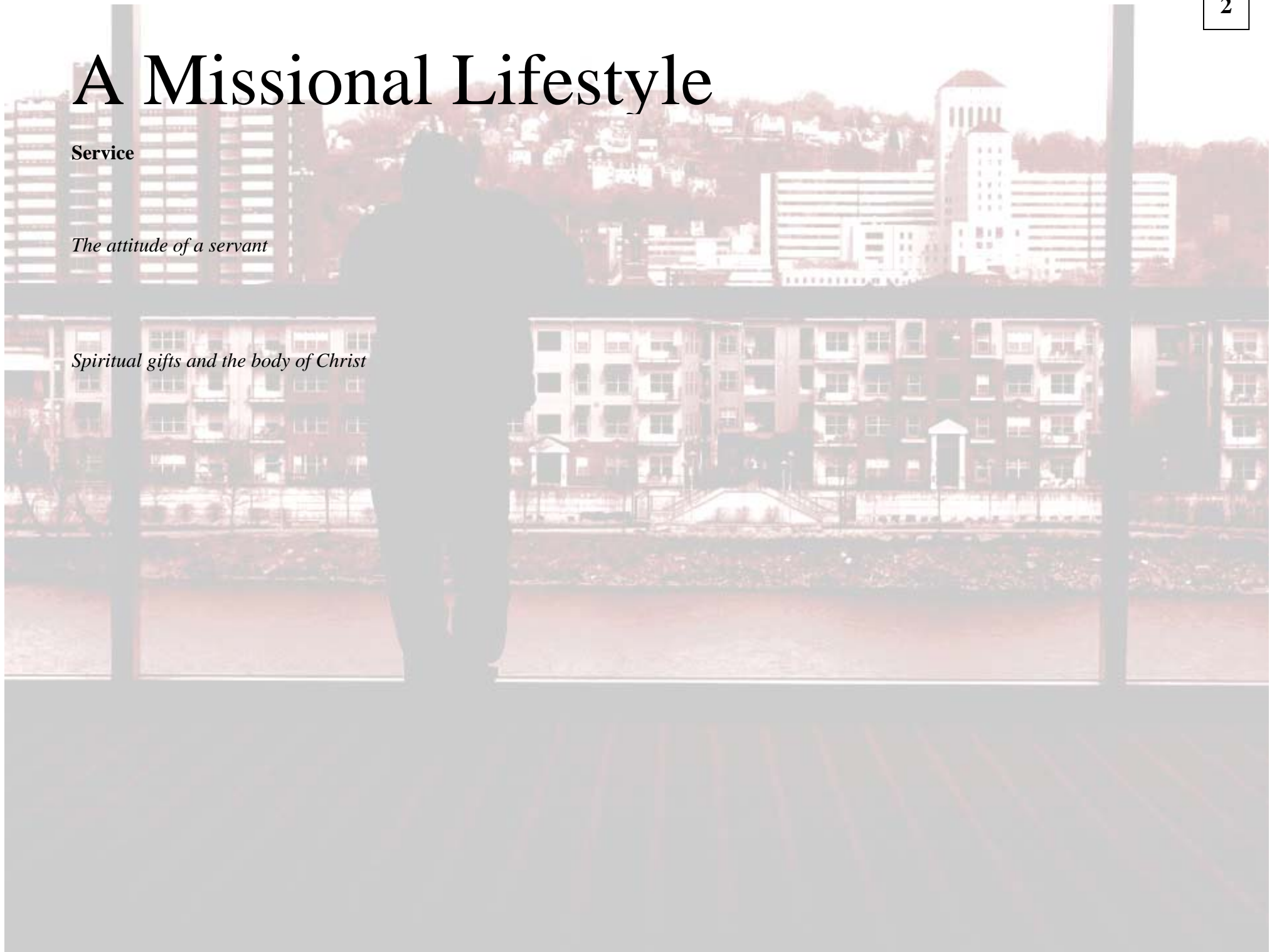
It's important to remember that your friends on this list are not projects. The purpose of putting these names on this list is to help you be more intentional about building stronger relationships with them and praying for them. Your friends need to know that they matter to you because they are your friends, not because you want to convert them. Let them know by the way you act and the things you say that they matter to you – whether or not they agree with the gospel message. Check your list often. The names will need to change as people move in and out of your life or become followers of Jesus.

A Missional Lifestyle

Service

The attitude of a servant

Spiritual gifts and the body of Christ



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Spiritual Gifts

Each one has his own gift from God; one has this gift, another has that. I Corinthians 7:7

Spiritual gifts that COMMUNICATE God's Word:

preaching evangelism apostle (missions) leadership

Spiritual gifts that EDUCATE God's People:

teaching encouragement (exhortation) wisdom knowledge

Spiritual gifts that DEMONSTRATE God's Love:

serving mercy hospitality pastoring giving helping faith administering

Spiritual gifts that CELEBRATE God's Presence:

healing miracles tongues interpretation of tongues prophecy

Spiritual gifts I believe I have:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

I feel I may have these gifts because:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Heart

Delight yourself in the Lord and he will give you the desires of your heart. Psalm 37:4

List some things you're good at and love doing:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

People compliment me when: _____

Abilities

There are different abilities to perform service... I Corinthians 12:6

The following are my strongest abilities:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Other skills or abilities

I'm learning or working on are:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Personality

No one can really know what anyone else is thinking or what he is really like, except that person himself. I Corinthians 2:11

This is how I see myself: (circle one of the two words for each comment)

1. Around others I am more: RESERVED or OUTGOING
2. My decisions are based more on: FACTS or FEELINGS
3. In my relationships I tend to be more: DEPENDENT or INDEPENDENT
4. My use of time is more: DETERMINED or SPONTANEOUS

Experience

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. Romans 8:28

My spiritual experience is (or how I became a Christian):

Some painful experiences that I've had:

A past experience I've learned from is:

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Keep your answers from above in mind as you answer the final question.

If you knew you couldn't fail and you had unlimited resources, what specific way would you choose to serve the mission of Jesus?

your unique
gifts & talents

The Parkside strategy for reaching the world...US!

1. EQUIPPING / TEACHING

Ephesians 4:11 *It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of service...*

2. MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

2Corinthians 5:18 *All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation...*

3. MISSIONS

Matthew 28:19 *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations...*

4. OUTREACH EVENTS

Matthew 13:2-3 *Such **large crowds** gathered around him that he got into a boat and sat in it, while all the people stood on the shore. Then he told them many things...*



PORTRAIT OF A DISCIPLE at PARKSIDE

OUTWARD CHARACTERISTICS

1. *Regularly gather with others for worship*
2. *Be a part of a smaller group that shares life together*
3. *Have an identifiable ministry*

PERSONAL LIFE CHARACTERISTICS

1. *Have a regular habit of Bible study and prayer*
2. *Live a missional lifestyle*

