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GOD'S DESIGN FOR GROWTH (John 17:20-23)

The “A B Cs” of personal and church growth.

ACCOUNTABILITY

1. . . . to God.

Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature and escape the corruption in the world caused by evil desires. (2 Peter 1:4) NIV

In Christ it is possible to live a holy life.

2. . . . to other believers.

The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. (1 Corinthians 12:12-14) NIV

3. . . . to a watching world.

To them God has chosen to make known among the Gentiles the glorious riches of this mystery, which is Christ in you, the hope of glory. (Colossians 1:27) NIV

BELONGING

1. . . . to God.

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. (1 John 4:10-11) NIV

2. . . . to each other.

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. (1 Corinthians 12:4-6) NIV

“Unity comes from life within, not from pressure without” (Warren Wiersbe).

Then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. (Philippians 2:2) NIV

CARING

. . . for God and for each other.

We proclaim to you what we have seen and heard, so that you also may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. (1 John 1:3) NIV