

Core Seminars – Christian Living
Discipling
Week 12 – February 23, 2003

Encouraging Involvement in a Local Church

I. THE LOCAL CHURCH IN THE BIBLE

II. THE CHURCH IN EVANGELISM

- *John 13:34-35. “A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”*
- *Acts 2:42-47.*
- *Acts 2:37-41.*
- *Romans 10:14-17.*

III. THE BENEFITS OF THE CHURCH TO A DISCIPLE

- Importance of covenant with a church.

- *Romans 12:9-15.*

IV. GIFTS IN THE CHURCH—BENEFIT TO A DISCIPLE

No one of us is endowed with the full complement of gifts necessary to bring a young Christian to full maturity.

- *I Corinthians 12:7-21*

Involvement in the Church, Part II

SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES.

- Word
- Accountability
- Ministry

SUNDAY EVENINGS

- Family
- Prayer
- Encouragement(John 13:34-35)

V. WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

- Learning to study the Word
- Growing in the Word...together

VI. SMALL GROUP BIBLE STUDIES

- Discipling
- Instruction and Modeling
- Learning to study inductively

VII. ONE-ON-ONE DISCIPLING RELATIONSHIPS

- Best context for fruitful, church-based discipling
- Accountability
- CHBC can help to facilitate one-on-one relationships

CONCLUSION:

- A local church is hugely important for any believer.
- More important than discipling and friendship with you!
- Teaching about involvement in a local church lay the groundwork for a lifetime of encouragement and

accountability long after you may no longer be a part of your friend's life.

Next Week: The Hazards and Joys of Discipling