

our **everydays** (the stuff we're always **on about**)

1. **Following Jesus** / Matthew 4:19 - "Follow Me."

- Living faith - not cheap grace.
- His life, teaching, ministry, death and resurrection.
- Knowing, hearing, trusting, obeying --> actually **following Jesus**
(as opposed to *doing church, being good, practicing religion or believer-ism*)

2. **The Whole Story** / 2 Tim 3:16 - "**All** scripture is God-breathed..."

→ of **God** and the **Gospel**.

- Which means being devoted to, not just the Red Letters, or the New Testament, but the whole **Bible** - "**All Scripture**..." - we want to hear and honor it.
- Because we want the whole of **God** and the **Gospel** - we want to seek it.
(we are committed to *historic orthodox Christian faith, practice + tradition*)

3. **All Things** / Rev 21:5 + Psalm 24:1

- Christian discipleship is about **all of life**.
- Because the gospel is about **all of life** - the restoration of **all things** in Christ - *the whole of life, the whole world, the whole person*.
 - As John Ortberg once wrote, "God is not interested in your **spiritual** life. God is simply interested in **your life**."

4. **Honest Faith** / Hebrews 11 + Romans 8:19f

- about ourselves, about life, about God.
 - *including the glory + failings of the Church*
- the Already/Not Yet. (Mark 1:14f)

5. **Dirty Hands** / John 20:21

"As the Father has sent me, I'm sending you."

- **into the world** - into the beauty and mess of the world - **for the sake of the world**...
 - We are to be the hands and feet, shoulders and eyes - and voice - of Jesus.
- everyday mission - "*ordinary Christians doing ordinary things with gospel intentionality*" (Chester and Timmis)
 - wherever God calls us - across the **world**, across the **street**, across the **room**

[Wherever possible, explain how this flows out of the gospel...]

6. **All Together - the Whole People of God** / Acts 2:17-18

- We **all** need one another. We **all** have something to **offer + receive**.
- **All-AGES** - intergenerational community. The priesthood of **all believers - MEN + WOMEN** leading/serving together in diversity + mutuality.

7. **Everyone's Invited** / John 3:16, 4:13, 4:24, 6:35, 7:17, **7:37**

*"Let **anyone** who is thirsty come to me and drink. **Whoever** believes in me, as Scripture says, rivers of living water will flow from within them."*

- Jesus is our Host + He invites us **all** to His Table.
Everyone is invited to follow Jesus!
- And so **we** welcome and invite **everyone** to know and follow Jesus with us **into a way of life radically renewed and re-ordered by Jesus**.

8. **All Hands On Deck** / Mark 10:45 + 1 Cor 12:7

- To be a Christian is to follow the One who says, *"I came not to be served, but to **serve**, and to give my life as a ransom for many."*
- Church is not a spectator sport.
- We are **all** called to serve + we are **all** given gifts for the building up of the body.
- This is part of our historical (Plymouth Brethren) DNA - ministry isn't reserved for the clergy/staff/paid professionals.
→ "Everyone gets to play" - Everyone is invited to contribute...