

5 Ministry Priorities
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Dominant Thought: These five priorities define and refine our ministry.

Objectives: I want my listener to...

-understand our priorities in this season of ministry.

-join with us in living out these priorities.

-choose similar priorities for themselves.

Earlier this Spring, Ken Gennicks, preacher at Athens Christian Church, asked me to share five lessons I have learned as a minister of the gospel. We would meet together with his summer intern, and I would share my list with them. So, in May, Nic Babbs and I met with Ken and his intern, Cory, for lunch at Culver's. Then, we came back to Berlin Christian Church where I shared my list with them.

Today, I share this list of five ministry priorities I have so you can get a glimpse at what makes me tick and some of my vision for Berlin Christian Church. I hope that as I share these priorities, you will join me in living them out. As I share them, you may start thinking of what your list of priorities looks like for you and your ministry in this season.

1-The Gospel of Jesus Christ

Romans 1:16 (NIV), ¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Be clear about what you believe and teach. Live and preach a gospel-centered life. Preach Christ-centered sermons every time. Bless your neighbors and nations with the good news of Jesus.

2-Prayer

Acts 6:4 (NIV), ⁴ and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.”

Learn to be a person of prayer and cultivate a healthy relationship with Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Read the Psalms daily to know the heart of God and have a language for prayer. Pray with and for your people. Prayer keeps us reliant on the provision of God for everything.

3-Study

2 Timothy 2:15 (NIV), ¹⁵ Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth.

Commit to life-long learning. Read books. Attend conferences. Listen to podcasts. Study preaching, leadership, devotional life, other literature, yourself, and others.

4-Relationships

Proverbs 17:17 (NIV), ¹⁷ A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for a time of adversity.

Cultivate healthy relationships with your family, your neighbors, your leaders and your church. Find a few good friends. Have friends from different generations.

5-Health

1 Corinthians 6:20 (NIV), ²⁰ you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your bodies.

Pursue a healthy mind, body, and spirit. Care for your mental health with a mentor, physical health with good nutrition and exercise, and spiritual health with holy habits. Find a hobby.

As I look over this list of these five priorities, **These five priorities define and refine our ministry.**