

Growth Commitment

I have committed to doing life together for the sake of others. This commitment is a commitment to my own growth and spiritual formation in the Core Values of Fellowship Greenville. Because I have committed to growing in these core values I am committed to the descriptions below. I am committed not to improve myself but for the Gospel to be on display by Spirit wrought transformation. May this document be a reminder of my commitment and desire for the Gospel to be made known.

I will seek to Enjoy God by seeking my highest happiness in him alone in and through all things. I will do so primarily through the discipline of engaging His word, leading into him in prayer, and the other spiritual disciplines He has provided for my growth (solitude, fasting, contemplation, meditation, practice of community, silence, etc.) I will encourage this among group members as well.

I will Love Others, caring for them with no expectation of return by putting their needs above my own. I will love others who love Jesus so that my heart may be encouraged and I may be held accountable in the mission to which we have been called. I will live so that the fruit of the Spirit may grow within me as I interact with others primarily for their benefit and not my own. I will not hide the needs I and/or my family have.

I will seek to Understand Scripture allowing the entirety of God's Word to shape my thinking and transform how I approach day-to-day life. I will share what I learn with others and be encouraged by what others are learning. I will consistently read scripture as the riches of its wisdom can never be exhausted. I will then obey what scripture teaches and help others do the same.

I must Depend on the Spirit in an attempt to listen for and be sensitive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit in my life. I will allow group members to speak to the gifts, strengths, and weaknesses they observe the Spirit working in my life. I will commit to offering the same to other group members. I have been filled with the Spirit that raised Christ from the dead and will depend on that Spirit to lead me and my group members into further holiness.

I will Live With Integrity, humbly striving for consistency between what I believe and how I live. I recognize that nothing I have belongs to me but to God. I will then seek to steward my finances, time, relationships, body and energy in a way that honors God not man. I will allow others to hold me accountable to sacrificially offering all that I have in service to God and his purposes.

I will Magnify Grace by making a big deal of the undeserved love, kindness, and compassion of God, especially in what he has done through Jesus. I will do this by extending grace to others within my spheres of influence as well as myself. I will better understand the grace I receive when I extend grace to others. I will also experience this grace every day as I am constantly in need of the Savior. I will not hold on to past sin, myself or others, that grace may abound in myself and others.

I will seek to Advance the Gospel, furthering God's mission and agenda for the world by announcing and applying what he has done in Jesus. I will be prepared to share the story of how the Gospel changed my life with those God has sovereignly placed within my spheres of influence. I will both demonstrate and articulate the Gospel regularly with others and seek to help others in my group actively grow and participate in this practice.