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# Our Purpose Statement

‘Our purpose as a church is to love God and love our neighbour. We do this best by producing mature Christians, who, wherever they minister will help produce other mature Christians and churches.’

*(St John’s Vision and Value Statements)*



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‘The first and central motivation for us as Church is LOVE.’

- Love of God
- Love of neighbour

c.f. The Greatest commandment:

‘Love the Lord your God with all your heart..soul  
..and mind..and love your neighbour as yourself.’

Matthew 22:37-39



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How do we best show Love?

‘We do this best by producing mature Christians who, wherever they minister, will help produce other mature Christians and churches.’ *(St John’s Vision and Value Statements)*



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Our love is best expressed by

## Growing and Going

- Growing in Discipleship towards Maturity
- Going as Disciples to Share God's Love



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‘Go and make disciples of all nations,  
baptising them in the name of the Father, and  
of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching  
them to obey everything I have commanded  
you.’

Matthew 28:19, 20



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‘It was He who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God’s people for ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God, and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fulness of Christ.’

Ephesians 4:11-13



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- Spiritual Growth is INTENTIONAL

‘Continue to work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you to will and act according to His good purposes.’

Philippians 2:12-13

c.f. Romans 6:13



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- Spiritual Growth is Intentional
  - Spiritual Growth is PRACTICAL
- ‘...train your self to be Godly.’

1 Timothy 4:7

‘Character is shaped by the habits we develop.’



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- is Intentional
- is Practical
- takes TIME

c.f. Deuteronomy 7:22 'Little by little..'

Ephesians 4:13 'until we....become mature'



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- is Intentional
- is Practical
- takes Time
- is demonstrated by WHAT WE DO as much as by what we believe.

‘Show me your faith without deeds and I will show you my faith *by what I do*’. James 2:18

c.f. Matt 7:16



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# Measurements of Maturity

- Knowledge (*the 'What'*)
- Perspective (*the 'Why'*)
- Conviction (*the 'Motivation'*)
- Skills (*the 'How'*)
- Character (*in all this becoming like Jesus*)

*Love Joy Peace Patience Kindness Goodness  
Faithfulness Gentleness Self-Control*

*Galatians 5:22-23*



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- is Intentional
- is Practical
- takes Time
- is demonstrated by What we Do /Believe.
- needs RELATIONSHIPS

‘Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let’s not give up meeting together...but let’s encourage one another.’ Hebrews 10:24-27



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# The Journey towards Maturity

- is Intentional
- is Practical
- takes Time
- is demonstrated by What we Do /Believe.
- needs Relationships
- requires a VARIETY of Spiritual Experiences with God -*Bible Study; Worship; Fellowship; Ministry; Mission & Evangelism*



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# The Journey Toward Maturity

Attendance



Members



Commitment



Ministry



Mission & Evangelism



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# Maturity at St John's

- Everyone in a Small Group
- Everyone equipped to Study the Bible both personally and together
- Everyone worshipping God in Spirit & Truth
- Everyone involved in Ministry
- Everyone dedicating resources of Time, Talents and Finances to God
- Everyone Sharing God's Love with Others



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## The Cost and Rewards of Maturity

‘If anyone would come after me, they must deny themselves, take up their cross daily and follow me. For whoever wants to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for me will save it.’ Luke 9:27

The Cost : we Give everything we are

The Reward: we Gain everything In Christ



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