Growing Toward Spiritual Maturity

Lesson 4 Worksheet

The Church’s Role in Making Disciples

I. The Church

a. The church is NOT a __________________ or _____________________.
b. The church is NOT everyone that gathers on Sunday mornings
c. The church IS the community of all true ________________________ for all time
d. The church is NOT a New Testament creation, but it consists of both Old Testament and New Testament believers
e. The purpose of the church:
   i. Ministry to ____________________
   ii. Ministry to ____________________
      1. Colossians 1:28
      2. Ephesians 4:12-13
   iii. Ministry to the ________________
      1. Great Commission
      2. Caring for the _____________ and ________________

II. The Church’s Role in Making Disciples

a. The church is the primary recipient of the Great Commission and the _______________ responsible to make disciples of Jesus Christ
b. The reason the early church was able to live out the Great Commission so effectively was because of the power, ___________________ and gifts of the Holy Spirit.
   i. The power of the Holy Spirit
      1. Ephesians 1:18-20
   ii. The presence of the Holy Spirit
      1. 2 Peter 1:3 – His divine power has given us everything we need for life and godliness through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.
   iii. The gifts of the Holy Spirit
      1. Romans 12; 1 Corinthians 12; Ephesians 4; 1 Peter 4
c. Maturity comes as we live in relationship with others who are ________________________ than us
d. Marks of a maturing believer:
   i. __________________one another
   ii. __________________faults to one another
   iii. __________________with one another
   iv. __________________to one another
   v. __________________one another
   vi. __________________one another
   vii. __________________one another

III. Homework
   a. Read Chapter 4 in Growing Toward Spiritual Maturity (pages 30-37)
   b. Feast on God’s Word every day!!
      ii. Application: How can you apply this passage to your life today?
   d. Email your answers to me at bvandertuig@crosspointcrcweb.org no later than noon on Thursday, October 2.