

Charting Our Course – Defining Our Vision

Part 1: Love God

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Matthew 22:15-38

- Our Battlecry? **“Remember the Cross!”**
- Our Course – Our Vision: The Three Pinnacles
Love God. Mt. 22:37&38
Love People. Mt. 22:39
Change the World. Mt. 28:18-20

Q1: What is love according to God?

1 John 4:8-10

Romans 5:8

John 3:16

A: Love is sacrifice.
It was defined at the cross.

Q2: How does God know that you love Him?

Mt. 22:37 ὅλη “all” or “whole”

A: We are to love God with our **WHOLE** heart, our **WHOLE** soul, & our **WHOLE** mind.

A: Anything or everyone else that we love must be loved through or to our love for God.

The Lord: “I know My children love Me when they...
trust Me. obey Me. seek Me. listen to Me. give to Me. represent Me. share Me. tell Me. celebrate Me.”

Our prayer today, this week & for the rest of our lives:
“Lord, teach me to love You the way You desire.”

2010 Bethel Prayer Guide

Use this guide to unite your heart & prayers with your Bethel family.

1. Dear Lord, i surrender my life to You: every word, every action, every thought, & every attitude. May Your will be done in me as it is in Heaven. Dear Lord, please nurture a passion within me for holiness. Please help me to become more like You, and less like the world every day.

2. Dear Lord, please use me to draw others to You. Please make me a light in the darkness for Your glory alone. May everyone i have contact with today, see You in me.

3. Dear God, i am serious about growing up in my salvation. Please help me understand Your perfect Word as i study it each day. Please help me worship You more deeply as i seek You every day.

4. Lord, please bring supernatural unity to our church so we may grow, and glow for Your glory. Please protect our members and staff from evil.

5. Lord, please give courage and encouragement to our missionaries around the world, and our brothers and sisters around the world who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus Christ.

6. God, please reveal Yourself through answered prayer. Please show us Your power by giving us the land at Roberts Road & Old Mill Road. Please show us Your goodness by making our nursery into a healthy, beautiful place for kids to fall in love with You. Please show us Your glory by giving us a beautiful playground. Please reveal your nature by providing for the completion of the new restrooms in our children’s building.

7. Heavenly Father, please heal _____
