

THIS IS DESTINY

STUDENT WORKBOOK

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Reflecting upon my life and ministry, I realize that God has truly been with me. Since 1996, New Destiny Worship Center has been about taking the message of Jesus Christ to Clearwater and beyond. The Lord continues to use New Destiny Worship Center to do the impossible in Clearwater, FL, the greater Pinellas County area, and places around the world.

We believe sustainable transformation comes through people being connected to the local church. Our goal is to train and equip you through these classes and a Christ-centered relationship to live a victorious life in Christ.

New Destiny Worship Center is made up of people who believe we can do the impossible, because we know with God all things are possible. We are empowered by Christ to love all people and see their lives radically changed by His spirit.

You too can be a part of victories achieved for His fame. Join New Destiny Worship Center on this adventure of bringing hope to a broken world through the transforming love and power of our resurrected Lord, Jesus Christ.

-Pastor Anthony Ballestero

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Welcome to

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This is Destiny is a four-step path that happens on Sunday mornings. **This Is Destiny** guides you to discover your purpose and live the life God created for you.

Every step is accompanied by a handout for you to take home with you. There are sections for you to fill in key words or concepts from the lesson and space for taking your own notes. Every handout also includes a **Tell Me More** section that provides more information about the topic covered in this week's step.

Since the Bible is the foundation of everything that we do at New Destiny, each step in **This Is Destiny** is based on scripture. While there are many translations of the Bible available today, the preferred translation at New Destiny is the King James Version (KJV). While the KJV does have some words that are no longer used today or words that have different meanings, it is still one of the best translations available to us today. So every scripture in **This Is Destiny** is quoted from the King James Version.

EPHESIANS 2:19

**Now therefore
ye are no
more strangers
and foreigners,
but fellow**

citizens with

**the saints, and
of the household
of God;**



There is a way for us to no longer be strangers to God. The Bible shows us how to join with other believers and become part of the “Household of God”

We’re glad you’ve chosen to find out more about New Destiny! Today is the basic introduction to what we value as a church family. Since we have members from many different church backgrounds, today was designed to clearly explain who we are and what we value. By the time you leave here today you should have a better understanding of the DNA of New Destiny.

The next page provides a simple preview of the steps involved in [This Is Destiny](#).

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OUR BIBLICAL PRAYER FOR YOU

That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him: The eyes of your understanding being enlightened; that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what are the riches of the glory of his inheritance in the saints.



Our hope for you today is that you will leave Step One with a deeper understanding about New Destiny and the beginnings of your own spiritual journey into the great blessings that God offers each of us.

2. How We Communicate

Before we dive in, we want to take a few minutes to tell you about one of the most important resources we have at New Destiny—the *New Destiny Worship Center App*.



The New Destiny Worship Center App is a central hub for everything going on at New Destiny. When you download and create a profile in the New Destiny Worship Center App, you can do things such as:

- **View upcoming events**
- **Sign up for special events**
- **Access Radio NDMG**
- **Listen to NDWC podcasts**
- **Give financially to the church**
- **Access Connections Groups Info**
- **And more**

The app is available in the Apple App Store as well as the Google Play store. We recommend downloading the app directly to your smart phone but you can always access New Destiny Worship Center on your desktop or in your browser as well by going to <https://www.newdestinywc.com/>



We can't express how important it is to familiarize yourself with this resource as you begin this journey. You can find more specific information about how to download and use the app in the ***Tell Me More*** section at the end of this lesson



Scan to begin the app download process with your smart phone.

New Destiny
Worship Center
exists to...

- 1 Reach into all areas of the community.**
- 2 Connect people to God as well as one another.**
- 3 Build believers into disciples of Jesus Christ.**

As laid out in our mission statement, the focus of New Destiny is three-fold:

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

These three principles guide everything that we do at New Destiny. All our activities, programs, and services are designed to accomplish at least one of these focus areas.

These three core elements of our mission; Reach, Connect, Disciple make up the:



Beginning on the next page, let's talk a little about each of these principles. and how we are accomplishing them at New Destiny.

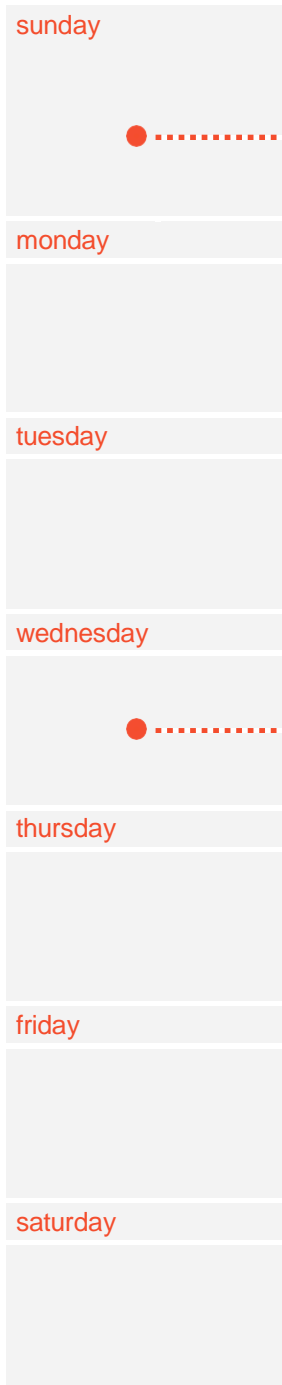
1 Reach _____

“

**Church attendance
is as vital to a disciple
as a transfusion of
rich, healthy blood to
a sick man.**

—Rev. Dwight L. Moody
American Evangelist 1862-1899

Our love for God is not confined to any one day of the week, but we do express it publicly on Sundays and Wednesdays as a family of believers!



_____ are high energy worship and evangelistic services. Adults and youth are in the sanctuary together for worship and the Word while our kids attend their own exciting and powerful Kids Church service in the Kids Center.

_____ are a time of learning and growth for the saints in Bible Study. There are classes for children, youth, and rotating connection groups. The focus in the sanctuary is teaching to the adult believers to help us develop into better Christians.

We set aside these times to emphasize our love for God through worship, community and growth.

The following pages will provide more information about what we do in our services and why we do these things.

At services, we:

1. _____ in a demonstrative way.

Praise ye the LORD. Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him in the firmament of his power. Psalm 150:1

We lift our hands

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and bless the LORD. Psalm 134:2

We sing out loud

Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises unto our King, sing praises. Psalm 47:6

We clap our hands and we shout with triumph

To the chief Musician, A Psalm for the sons of Korah. O clap your hands, all ye people; shout unto God with the voice of triumph. Psalm 47:1

We dance in the spirit and play instruments

Praise him with the timbrel and dance: praise him with stringed instruments and organs. Psalm 150:4

We run in victory

For by thee I have run through a troop; and by my God have I leaped over a wall. Psalm 18:29

We respond to the preaching of the Word

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting: and let all the people say, Amen. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 106:48

We reach for Jesus because:

He is our _____.

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. Revelation 4:11

He is our _____.

Thou art my hiding place and my shield: I hope in thy word. Psalm 119:114

He is our _____.

But my God shall supply all your need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:19

He is our _____.

To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen. Jude 1:25

2. _____ with the Body of Christ.

We grow stronger

Iron sharpeneth iron; so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend. Proverbs 27:17

We support one another

For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow: but woe to him that is alone when he falleth; for he hath not another to help him up. Ecclesiastes 4:10

3. _____ the preached Word of God.

We increase our faith

So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God. Romans 10:17

4. _____ together with other believers.

We pray in agreement

Again I say unto you, That if two of you shall agree on earth as touching any thing that they shall ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven. Matthew 18:19

It is important to pray in private, but there's something altogether different when we pray together. In Acts 4:31, when a group of believers gathered together, the place was shaken by their prayers.

Reaching up to God and reaching to other believers happens when we attend regular services at New Destiny. Attending church services and participating is vital for any and all followers of Jesus Christ.

2 Connect

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We don't accomplish anything in the world alone and whatever happens is the result of the whole tapestry of one's life and all the weavings of individual threads from one to another that create something.

—Sandra Day O'Connor

Former US Supreme Court Justice

In other words, our connections are what allow us to become something greater than what we can be alone.

There are two great things that every person requires in life.

1. Everyone has to know that they are needed.

2. Everyone has to have someone that really knows them.

Likewise, there are two things we desire to have as believers.

1. We want to sense that we are part of something


2. We want to sense that we are impacting others

These needs and desires can be met by joining a New Destiny Connections or Life Group. The principle of Connections & Life Groups can be found in the Bible in the book of Acts.

Throughout the book of Acts, we see the early church meeting in small groups.

ACTS 2:46-47

**And they, continuing
daily with one accord in
the temple, and break-
ing bread from house to
house, did eat their
meat with gladness and
singleness of heart,
Praising God, and having
favour with all the people.
And the Lord added to
the church daily such as
should be saved.**



I kept back nothing that was profitable unto you, but have shewed you, and have taught you publicly, and from house to house. Acts 20:20

So as you can see, the principle of Connection & Life Groups is a Biblical one. Connection & Life Groups allow us as people to be both needed and known. They also allow us as believers to be part of something larger than ourselves and impact others in a positive way.

Connection & Life groups provide a place for you to connect, grow, and discuss the issues and challenges of life. Regardless of your age, interest, or location, we are sure that there is a Connection & Life Group here for you. Connection & Life Groups are also where we pray together, care for one another, and are missed if we don't show up!

Our goal is that as we grow larger as a church, we will continue to grow closer and stay connected to one another through Connection & Life Groups.

New Destiny Connection & Life Groups provide:

1. _____ I need people to
strengthen and balance the Word of God in my life.

2. _____ I need people who
know the real me.

3. _____ I need people to
pray for me personally.

4. _____ I need people who
will protect and encourage me.

5. _____ I need people with
whom I can share my story.

3 Disciple _____

4 Facts about Christianity

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

4 _____

There are two important parts to becoming a disciple of Jesus Christ.

1. _____

2. _____

The New Destiny Serve Team is the core of our church! Every person who serves in any of the New Destiny ministry teams is part of one team: **The Serve Team.**

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If the ladder is not leaning against the right wall, every step we take just gets us to the wrong place faster.

—Stephen R. Covey
Author and Motivational Speaker

In other words, you have to learn how to lean the ladder in the right place. And what's the right place to lean your ladder? The right place is making a difference in the lives of others. And we achieve that at New Destiny through the Serve Team.

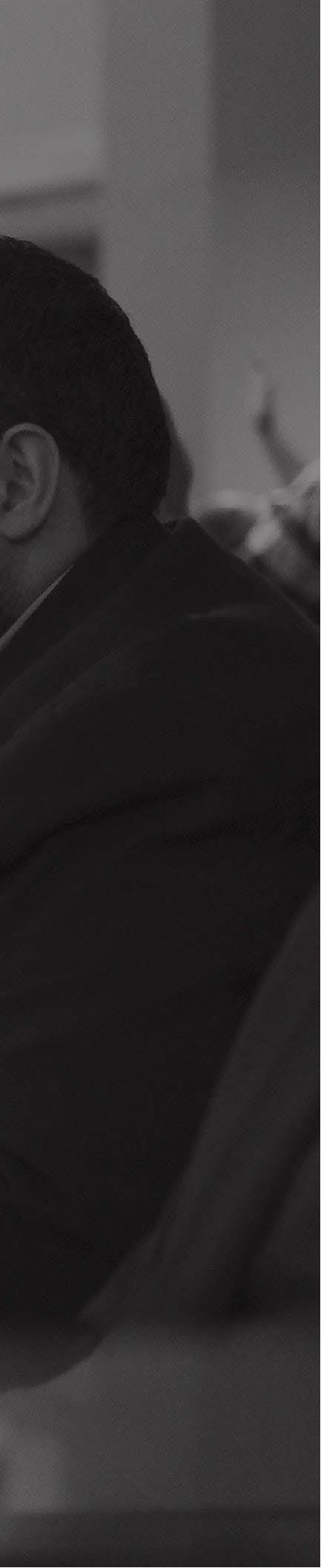
PHILIPPIANS 2:4

Look not every man

on his own things, but

every man also on

the things of others.



Step Three has more information on involvement opportunities within New Destiny. You will be able to discover which Serve Team that you can join.

These three things, Reach, Connect, and Disciple are the DNA of New Destiny. This is the three part spiritual journey of every believer.

So allow us to welcome you to a journey to find the best you that you can be. Welcome to the New Destiny Family!

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3. Tell Me More

| The NDWC Church App

This section will provide instructions for how to do the core actions available in the app. If you have any additional questions about the app, you can always visit the Welcome Center or ask a This Is Destiny instructor for assistance.

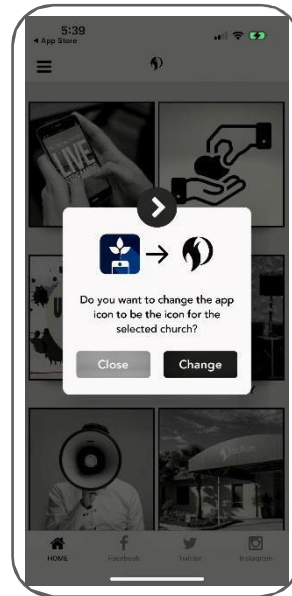
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- 5 **Connections & Life Groups**
- 6 **Serve Team info**
- 7 **Making a financial contribution**

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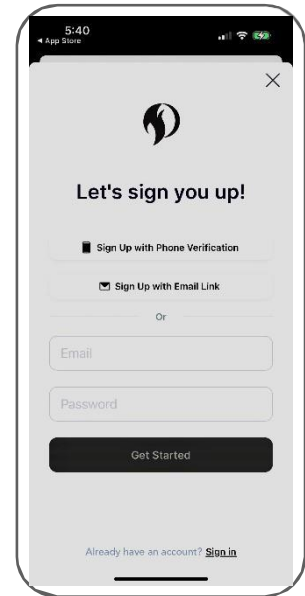
Setting Up NDWC App



After scanning the NDWC QR code, download & open Church App – Tithe.ly



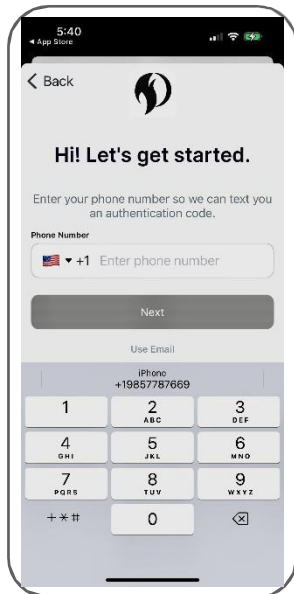
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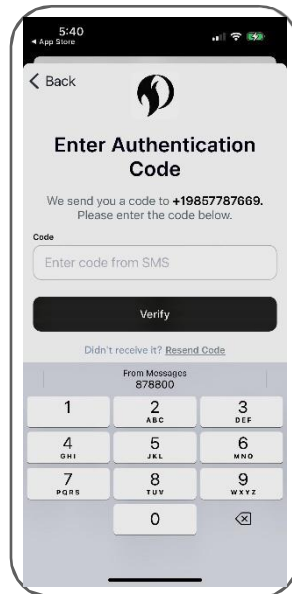
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Creating a NDWC profile



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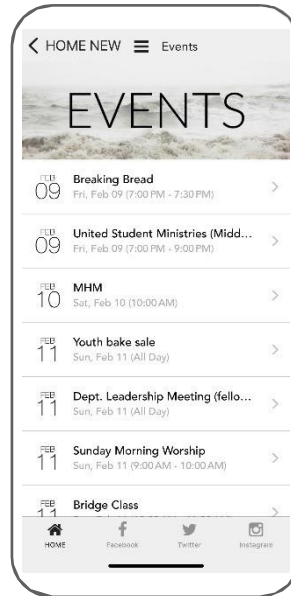
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Viewing the church calendar



Select the Upcoming Events icon.



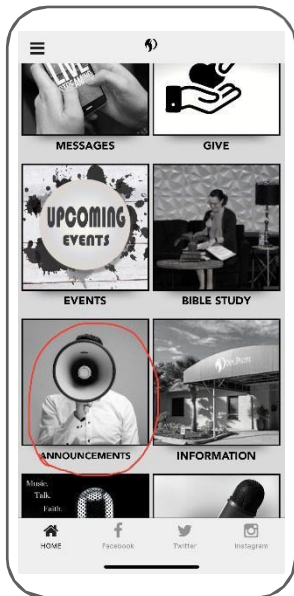
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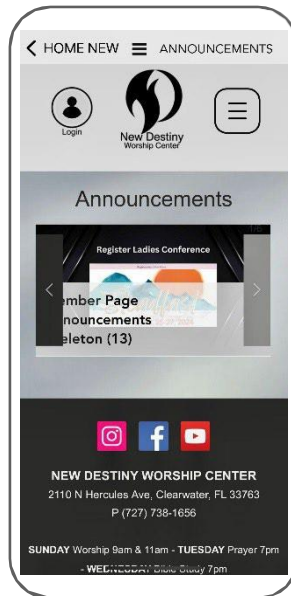
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Events Info & Signing Up



Events Info can be found by selecting the Announcements icon.



Click the event you are interested in as it scrolls



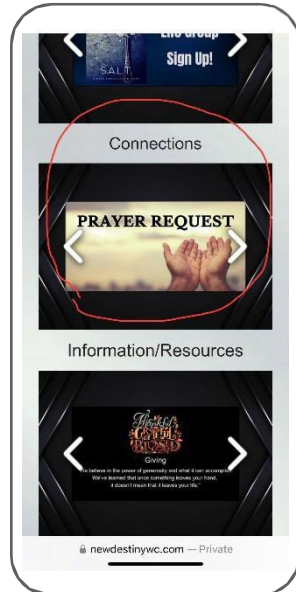
Get the event info & register for the event

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**Connect &
Life Groups**



Scan the NDWC
Member QR Code



Select the
Connections you are
interested in



Scan the NDWC
Member QR Code



Scroll & click on the
group to read the
details or request to
join.

6

Signing up for a Serve Team



Scan the NDWC Members QR Code to go to Registrations & Sign Ups



On the Registrations Sign Ups page select "Using your talents for God" icon

Please complete the form below and we will contact you as soon as possible.

We appreciate your time and talents and we know that together we will accomplish more!

If you do not see anything of interest, please let us know, as there are many other opportunities.

We love you and thank you for being a part of our New Destiny Worship Center family.

First Name *

Last Name *

Mobile Number *

Email Address *

Description of Talents:

Select the ministries you are interested in (other options available):

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Complete the Serve Team form.

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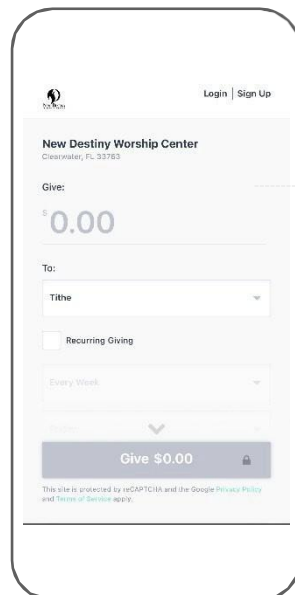
Making a financial contribution



Click on the Give icon.



Select the giving platform you prefer.



You can then specify the amount & where you would like your gift to apply before continuing to payment.

7 Ways the First Church Revealed Their Love for God

1

They experienced the new birth

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.

John 3:5

2

They shared the Gospel of Jesus Christ

The Kingdom of God has come, and through Jesus' death on the cross and resurrection, we can be restored to a relationship with Him!

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Acts 2:38

3

They anticipated the soon coming of Jesus Christ

For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

Philippians 3:20-21

4

They lived differently than unbelievers

And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and I pray God your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

I Thessalonians 5:23

5

They believed that Jesus is God

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

I Timothy 3:16

6

They gathered in small groups during the week in houses

And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

Acts 5:42

7

They gathered together for worship

And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread, Paul preached unto them, ready to depart on the morrow; and continued his speech until midnight.

Acts 20:7

New Destiny Worship Center - Our History

One great way to understand the future that God has for in our church is to take a look at our past, our heritage. We are considered to be a “Pentecostal” church, so our heritage goes all the way back to the day of Pentecost (Acts 2), almost 2000 years ago and is still going strong! What is the history of the modern-day Pentecostal Church?

- 1901** – During the last 21 days of the 19th century, a group of hungry-hearted ministers and Christian workers in Bethel Bible College, Topeka, Kansas, began to fast and pray for an outpouring of the Holy Ghost. They had read of it in the book of Acts, and they wanted to experience this outpouring. In the early hours of the morning of January 1, 1901, people were heard speaking in other languages as the Holy Spirit gave them the ability to speak, just like the Day of Pentecost. A revival broke out and spread to Texas and then to Los Angeles, California.
- 1906** – Ministers & evangelists from around the United States and Canada and missionaries from around the world gathered in an old building at 312 Azusa Street in Los Angeles, California. There they gathered to learn more about this “Pentecostal” experience. Many who came were soon filled with the Holy Ghost in what has become known as the “Azusa Street Outpourings.” From Azusa Street, this Holy Ghost experience has spread throughout the entire world as men and women began to fulfill the great commission of the Lord, “...Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature.”
- 1914** – With the outpouring of the Holy Ghost, the Bible became a new book. Understanding and revelation became greater as people now began to view God’s Word with the help of His Spirit. The revelation of the name of the Lord Jesus Christ began to be seen and the power contained in the Name of Jesus to be revealed.

Literally thousands were rebaptized into the Name of Jesus Christ and many received the baptism of the Holy Ghost while in the water. Various Pentecostal denominations and groups began to emerge from this great revival!

We have a heritage that extends back some 2000 years and yet the future is as bright as it was on the Day of Pentecost!

About Pastor Ballestero & Family –

C. Anthony Ballestero is an ordained minister with a Bachelor of Theology from Jackson College of Ministries (1988-1991). He has been involved in full time ministry since 1991, having served as a Youth Pastor, Associate Pastor, and presently as the founding Pastor of New Destiny Worship Center. His ministry focus is preaching and teaching the word of God with pastoral oversight.

His wife, Kim Ballestero, graduated from Jackson College of Ministries with a Bachelor of Music with highest honors (1987-1990). She is an anointed musician, singer, song writer and currently serves in the role as Music Pastor at New Destiny.

Both Pastor and Kim were raised in the home of a pastor and have spent their lives involved in the work of the ministry. They have settled in Clearwater to lead this church & have raised their children, all who are actively involved in ministry as well.

The Call - Great things are most often birthed – not only out of desire – but dedication. At a General Conference of the United Pentecostal Church during a Home Missions service, Pastor and Kim Ballestero felt the call of God to start a church in Clearwater. Despite several humbling offers from other areas of ministry, January 31st, 1996, Pastor Ballestero packed up his family and belongings and moved to the Clearwater area.

The Charge – Pastors Richard and Nancy Elrod from the Apostolic United Pentecostal Church in St. Petersburg, FL were very instrumental in laying the foundation for revival in Clearwater. Pastor Elrod desired to see a daughter work established in Clearwater and so plans were made. The first daughter work in Florida was established under the leadership of Pastor Ballestero. Pastor Elrod also graciously built a 2-bedroom apartment in the St. Petersburg church where Pastor & Sis. Kim lived while they began building the church.

The Blessings – On Mother's Day, May 12, 1996, the Pentecostals of Clearwater (original name of New Destiny Worship Center) held its first service in a renovated store front with twenty-four people in attendance. Since that first service, God has continued to pour out significant blessings upon the church.

Through the Years – In 1996, the church services were first held at 122 N. Main St. in Clearwater in a store front building. For the first four years, Pastor and Sis. Kim were the pastors for this church and the Music Ministers at Calvary Tabernacle in Thonotosassa, Florida under Pastor James Wolfe.

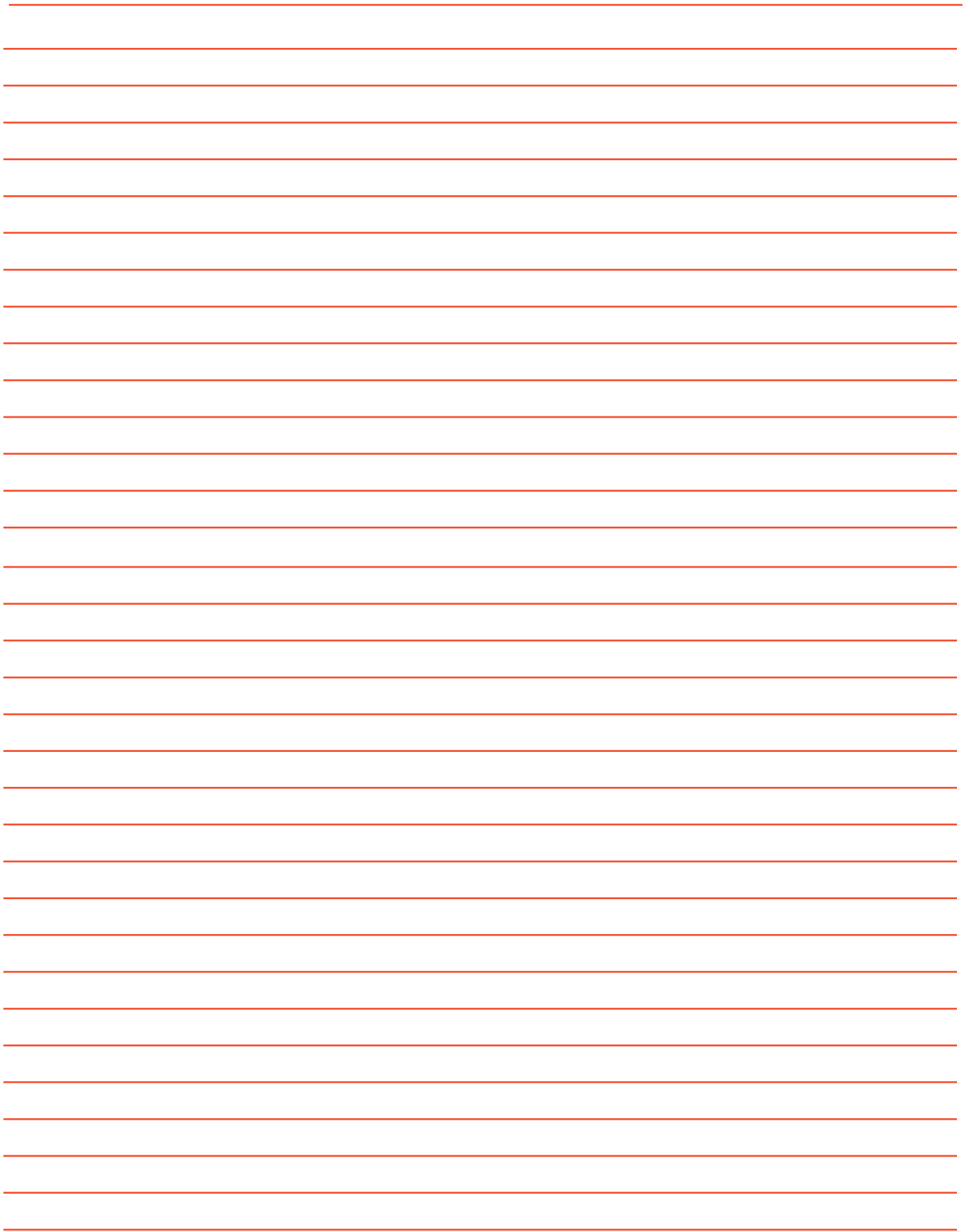
In 1997, the Pentecostals of Clearwater began sharing facilities with the Bible Fellowship church on East Bay Drive – still in Clearwater, Florida

In 1999, the church moved to their last store front at 509 Florida Avenue, Clearwater.

After almost two years on Florida Avenue, God opened the door for the Pentecostals of Clearwater to purchase our first building at 606 Alden Avenue, Clearwater. It took some work; but the men and women of the church pulled together and fixed it up. The building was dedicated in March 2001.

Pastor Ballestero had frequently been drawn to an empty church building on the corner of Hercules and Union. One night while visiting the location, our Pastor and a friend felt led of God to claim the building in Jesus' name as our next church location. God removed several obstacles and with the generosity of James Wolfe and others, we were able to hold our initial service in our current building at 2110 North Hercules Avenue in July 2003. To God be the glory for adding to the church and supplying our needs.

In 2006, after 10 incredible years as the Pentecostals of Clearwater, Pastor Ballestero felt the time was right to lead the church to a greater dimension of spiritual power through an increased emphasis on our Apostolic roots. Along with a new church name (New Destiny Worship Center), Pastor Ballestero restructured the Vision Statement and Core Values of the church by highlighting this great Apostolic doctrine and the priorities that matter most in life.



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STEP TWO

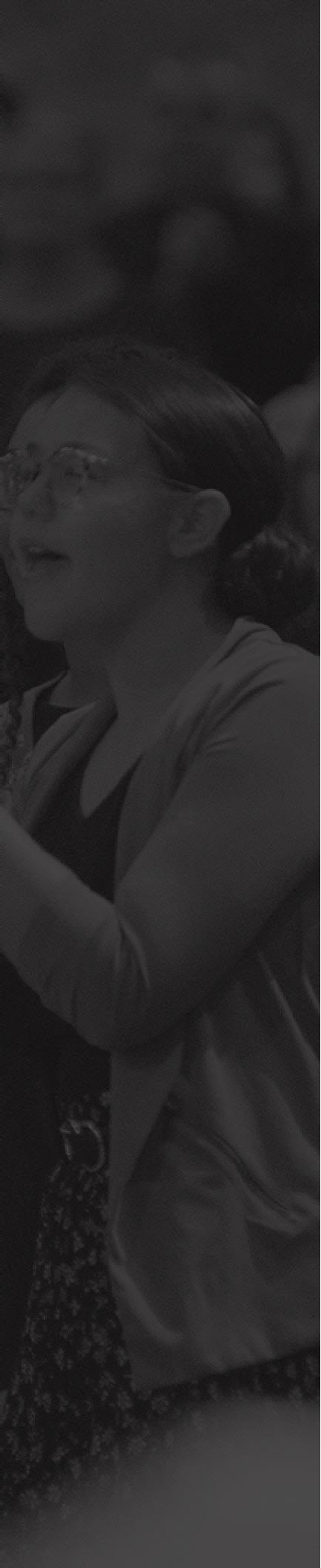
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1. Introduction

PHILIPPIANS 4:9

**Those things, which ye
have both learned,
and received, and heard,
and seen in me, do:
and the God of peace
shall be with you.**



Our Hope for You

Today our hope is that you understand what it means to be a Christian and how to apply some Christian habits to your own life. The Apostle Paul wrote in 2 Corinthians 5:17 — *Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.*

So all of the things that the early church learned, they were then told to do them as well.

The goal of this class is a two-part understanding of Christianity.

1 _____

2 _____

If you can understand and apply the concept of Christianity to your life, you'll walk out of here on a road to fulfillment in God's kingdom that you never thought possible.

Living your best life is _____ and _____ with Jesus Christ daily.

Becoming a Christian _____ to do both of those things.

2. What is Christianity?

Many people have attempted to answer this question. Some point to religion and ritual and say that is Christianity. Some believe that as long as you say you are a Christian then you are, no matter your actions. But the answer is very simple.

Christianity is _____

EPHESIANS 4:13-15

Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: That we henceforth be no more children, tossed to and fro, and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive; But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ:

The emphasis of Christianity is to become more _____

_____ in every way that we can.

| How do I become a Christian?

After Jesus had risen from the grave, He gave instructions

to the disciples before His _____.

And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. And ye are witnesses of these things. And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.
Luke 24:46-49

The Book of Acts opens with the _____

words of Jesus to the Apostles.

For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. Acts 1:5

On the day of Pentecost, also known as the

_____, there were

120 people gathered together to obey His instructions.

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:1-4

While the Holy Ghost was falling, there were people standing outside that could hear all that was happening. In response to their comments, Peter preached a powerful sermon which resulted in an important question that we all must ask:

.....?

Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that God hath made that same Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord and Christ.

Now when they heard this, they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?

Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

Acts 2:36-39

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WHO IS PETER?

This scripture is Jesus' response to the disciple that declared His identity; the Christ!

And I say also unto thee, That thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. Matt 16:18.

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1. _____ . Believe that Jesus is real and that He can and will forgive your sins. Ask Jesus to forgive you and to help you do better from now on.

Repentance is...

1 _____

2 _____

3 _____

2. _____ . Get baptized by full immersion in water in the name of Jesus. This public act of faith washes away the sins of the past.

The Biblical Formula for Baptism

MATTHEW 28:19

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Jesus is the name of the _____ .

Philip saith unto him, Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? he that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? John 14:8-9

Jesus is the name of the _____ .

He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. Matthew 16:15-16

Jesus is the name of the _____.

But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. Romans 8:9-10

At New Destiny we baptize in Jesus name because that is what the Bible commands us to do.

3. _____ . Believe that your sins have been removed, then praise and thank Jesus for His forgiveness of your sins. As you praise and pray God will take control of your tongue as a sign that He is filling you with His Spirit.

How was the Holy Spirit first revealed?

ACTS 10:44-46

While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.

**According to the actions of the early church, the plan
of salvation is _____,
_____, and infilling of the
_____ with evidence of
speaking in tongues.**

Even though we may have completed the initial plan of salvation there are still things that we need to continue in. We can do this by developing the right Christian Habits.

What is a Habit?

Here is the Webster's Dictionary definition of "Habit":

1. A continual, often unconscious inclination to do a certain activity, acquired through frequent repetition.
2. An established disposition of the character.

In other words, habits are things that we do on a continual basis, that influence our _____ and _____. There are specific habits that help develop Christian character and cause us to become more like Christ.

Habit ① Bible Study & Prayer

2 TIMOTHY 2:15

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

How to Get God's Word in Our Hearts

By _____ God's Word through

preaching and teaching.

How then shall they call on him in whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom they have not heard? and how shall they hear without a preacher? Romans 10:14

By _____ God's Word daily

through our own devotional time.

As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby: 1 Peter 2:2

By _____ God's Word through a

Personal Bible Study.



Sign up for a Personal Bible Study via this QR code or the Church website under /member.

How to Get More Out of Reading the Bible:

1. Accept it's _____

For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven. Psalm 119:89

2. Assimilate it's _____

For the word of the LORD is right; and all his works are done in truth. Psalm 33:4

The preferred translation of the Bible at New Destiny Worship

Center is the _____.

3 Tips for Personal Prayer

Every Christian needs personal prayer time. Here are three ideas to help your prayer time.

1. _____

Let prayer come from your heart. Talk to God about what is really going on in your life. Tell Him about your struggles and difficulties as well as the good things that you are thankful for.

2. _____

Don't worry about what words that you use for prayer. Prayer is a conversation so talk to Jesus as you would anyone else.

3. _____

And in the morning, rising up a great while before day, he went out, and departed into a solitary place, and there prayed. Mark 1:35

Habit 2 Fellowship with Believers

HEBREW S 10:25

Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some is; but exhorting one another: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching.

How can a church grow large yet maintain close friendships?

Every person needs to be a part of a

And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ. Acts 5:42

Habit 3 Living a Spirit-Led Life

What does Spirit-led living produce in our lives?

And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever. John 14:16

Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: John 16:7-8

Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come. John 16:13

But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. Acts 1:8

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law. Galatians 5:22-23

Habit 4 Giving of Yourself

1 JOHN 3:17

But whoso hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him, how dwelleth the love of God in him?

Three Areas of Giving

1. Give of your

See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise, Redeeming the time, because the days are evil.
Ephesians 5:15-16

2. Give of your

Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest.
Ecclesiastes 9:10

3. Give of your

Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. Luke 6:38

Habit 5 Continual Growth

As mentioned earlier, Christianity is a process. It takes time

and it is not _____ until our

lives have reached the _____.

2 CORINTHIANS 5:17

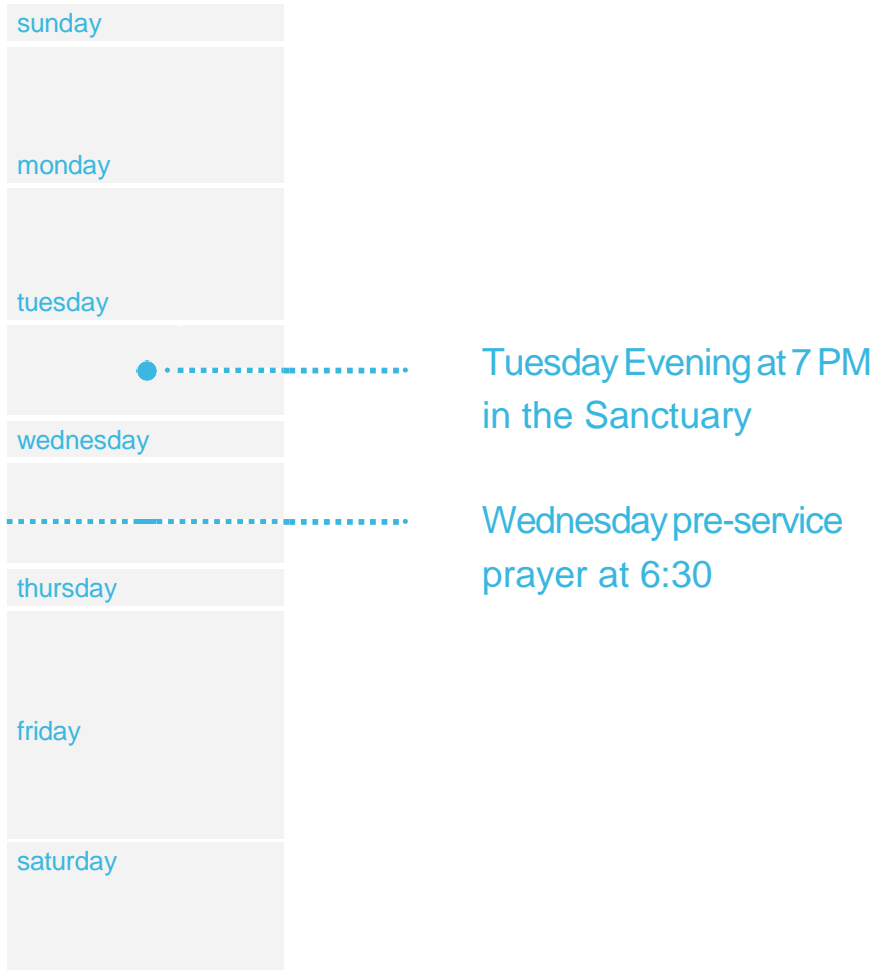
**Therefore if any man be in Christ,
he is a new creature: old things are
passed away; behold, all things are
become new.**

Continual Growth is the final distinct habit of Christianity. Developing these Christian habits lets us add to our initial faith as our understanding of the things of God deepens. This leads us into ongoing spiritual growth.

As a result, we become a new person with a new future: HEAVEN!

3. Tell Me More

| New Destiny Prayer Opportunities



| New Destiny Connections & Life Groups

United Student Ministries
6th-12th Grade
United Student Ministries exists to equip young people to develop a deeper relationship with God, to train them in His word, and to send them out as exceptional, godly men and women of integrity who will transform their worlds for Christ.

Hyphen
Ages 18-30
Hyphen exists to connect young adults in Christian fellowship, equip them in Spirit and in Truth, and empower them to serve.

Young Marrieds
Ages 18-35
Endurance Young Marrieds exists to create Christ-centered marriages that point those around us toward His redeeming love and grace.

SALT
(31-50+)
SALT- The Singles Ministry exists to reach single adults aged 31-50+, while connecting them in fellowship, God's Word, and discipleship.

Life Groups
Ages 18+
Life Groups exist to connect all ages and different interests' groups while connecting in fellowship, God's word, and discipleship. Life Groups change every semester and will be announced prior to the start of each semester. Year-round Life groups include - Foodies Life Group, Art Group, Breaking Bread Group, PrimeTimers, & Sage Group.

Mental Health Matters
Mental Health Matters (M.H.M) meets monthly and exists to minister, counsel, and coach the hurting people in our church and community.

Recovery Alive
Recovery Alive meets on the 1st & 3rd Friday of the month and exists to minister to the hurting people in our church and community.

A.C.E
Association of Christian Entrepreneurs. (ACE) exists to support the business owners of NDWC through training, education opportunities and events.

G.U.M
Girlfriends United Ministries (G.U.M.) Ladies ministry exists to effectively reach every demographic & age of ladies within the church & community. A G.U.M retreat is held annually.

Men's Ministry The Men's Ministry of New Destiny exists to lead the men of all ages and demographics of our church and community to greater spiritual growth and in fellowship opportunities.

Widow's Care Ministry The Widow's Care ministry exists to effectively care for the widows of NDWC through text, phone calls, and in person fellowships.

Spanish Ministry Nuevo Destino Centro De Adoracion exists to reach the Spanish community of Clearwater and share God's love in worship and word every Sunday at 1:00pm in the New Destiny sanctuary.

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STEP THREE

Why You'll Love it Here

- 1. Introduction**
- 2. What Makes Us Different?**
- 3. Tell Me More**
- 4. Note Pages**

1. Introduction

MATTHEW 18:20

**For where two or three
are gathered together
in my name, there am I
in the midst of them.**

Our Hope for You

The purpose of today is to get down into the details of what makes us different from other churches. God has given this church a unique vision, and we want to show you how you can be a part of that. We want to share with you our focus as a church, what we value, and a few principles that will help us all remain aligned with the purpose that God has for our lives.

Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and the same judgment. 1 Corinthians 1:10

2. What Makes Us Different?

① We are a _____ church.

Talking about the first Church:

And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
Acts 2:4

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all. Amen.
2 Corinthians 13:14

What is the Holy Spirit?

JOHN 3:5-6

Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

We believe The Holy Spirit is:

1. **An _____ part of salvation.**

God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth. John 4:24

2. **For _____.**

For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call. Acts 2:39

3. **The Spirit of _____ living in you.**

To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is Christ in you, the hope of glory: Colossians 1:27

4. **Evidenced by _____ in tongues.**

And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Acts 10:45-46

5. **The _____ of every believer.**

But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Romans 8:11

2 We are a _____ church.

2 TIMOTHY 3:16-17

***All scripture is given by
inspiration of God, and
is profitable for doctrine, for
reproof, for correction, for
instruction in righteousness:
That the man of God
may be perfect, thoroughly
furnished unto all good works.***

We believe that the Holy Bible, and only the Bible, is the authoritative Word of God. It alone is the final authority in determining all doctrinal truths. In its original writing, it is inspired by God, infallible, and inerrant.

God's Word brings us _____,
_____, **and**
_____.

The Bible gives us the truth about:

1. The _____ of God.

Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ. For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily. Colossians 2:8-9

2. The _____ family.

So God created man in his own image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them. Genesis 1:27

3. _____ conversation and thinking.

Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Philippians 4:8

4. _____.

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also. John 14:1-3

A Proper Approach to God's Word

that God's Word is

my highest authority.

Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips; I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food. Job 23:12

God's Word with an

open heart.

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe. 1 Thessalonians 2:13

to God's Word with

obedience.

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves. James 1:22

3 We are a _____ church.

MATTHEW 10:1

And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of disease.

We believe God still:

1. _____ **the sick.**
2. _____ **individuals who are bound by drugs, alcohol, etc.**
3. _____ **people's lives.**
4. **Uses** _____ **individuals to perform the supernatural.**

4 We are a church of _____.

ROMANS 12:10

Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

At New Destiny Worship Center, there are four primary ways that we honor one another:

1. We _____ one another.

2. We are _____ to one another.

3. We _____ one another.

4. We _____ one another.

5 We are a church of _____

EPHESIANS 2:10

***For we are his workmanship,
created in Christ Jesus unto
good works, which God
hath before ordained that
we should walk in them.***

We were created with a purpose, and that purpose is to

in someone else's life.

The best way for you to do that is by stepping into a fulfilling place where you can make a difference. God has a place for you where your unique abilities and passions can touch the lives of others. At New Destiny the Serve Team is the community where that happens.

SERVE TEAM VISION

Serve teams exist to involve believers in the work of God as disciples and to help others connect to Jesus for themselves.

Joining a Serve Team requires three things:

1 _____

As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

Galatians 6:10

2 _____

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service. Romans 12:1

3 _____

Let all your things be done with charity. 1 Corinthians 16:14

To Be a Part of the New Destiny Serve Team

1



Scan the above QR Code

2

Locate the ***Volunteering Interests*** Section.

3

Find a Serve Team you're interested in and request to join.



If you have any trouble logging in to the New Destiny Worship Center App, simply visit the Welcome Center for assistance.

Serve Team Directory

The teams listed below are what we call *Level 1 Serve Teams*. These are the areas where you can get involved upon completion of *This Is Home*. **Remember: Sign up in the NDWC Center App.**

**Volunteering
Administrative
Serve Team**
Haven Ballestero

**Volunteering
School Serve
Team**
Sherri Rorie

**Volunteering
Guest Services
Serve Team**
Anna Bandel

**Volunteering
Carpet Cleaning
Serve Team**
Sherri Rorie/Haven
Ballestero

**Volunteering White
Glove Ministry
Serve Team**
Ella Swinton

**Volunteering
Landscaping Serve
Team**
Eli Stevens

**Volunteering
Events Serve Team**
Ella Swinton

**Volunteering Light
Construction Serve
Team**
Braden
Ballestero

**Volunteering
Feed the
Homeless
Serve
Team**
Jonathan
Allen

**Volunteering
Nursing Home
Ministry**
Jonathan Allen

**Volunteering
Special Events
Serve Team**
Miranda Randol

**Volunteering Evangelism
Serve Team**
Jonathan Allen

3. TELL ME MORE

Additional Verses About the 5 Things that Make Us Different

1

A Spirit-filled Church

What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?
1 Corinthians 6:19

And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost. Acts 13:52

2

A Bible-based Church

The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the simple. Psalm 19:7

Then said Jesus to those Jews which believed on him, If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed; And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. John 8:31-32

Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me.
Psalm 119:133

3

A Supernatural Church

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father. John 14:12

God also bearing them witness, both with signs and wonders, and with divers miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost, according to his own will? Hebrews 2:4

4

A Church of Honor

Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine. 1 Timothy 5:17

Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves. Philippians 2:3

5

A Church of Service

Look not every man on his own things, but every man also on the things of others. Philippians 2:4

But he that is greatest among you shall be your servant. Matthew 23:11

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STEP FOUR

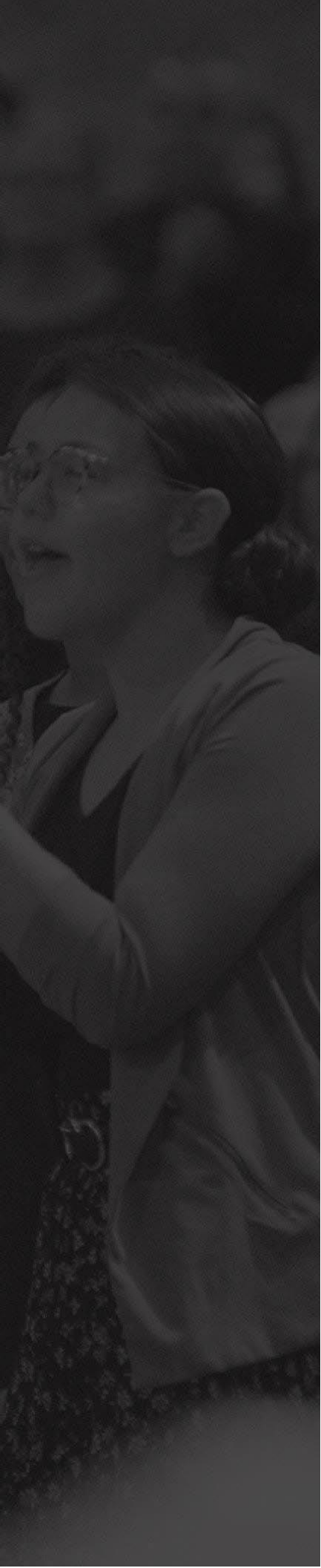
Next Steps

1. **Introduction**
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1. Introduction

Ephesians 4:16

**From whom the
whole body, joined
and held together
by every joint with
which it is
equipped, when
each part is
working properly,
makes the body
grow so that it
builds itself up in
love.**



Our Hope for You

The purpose of today is to review New Destiny's vision, Christianity and how to apply some Christian habits to your own life, and what makes New Destiny different from other churches. God has given this church a unique vision and today we are sharing how you can be a part of that.

***Through wisdom a house is built, and by understanding it is established; By knowledge the rooms are filled with all precious and pleasant riches.
Proverbs 24:3-4***

New Destiny Worship Center exists to...

- 1 Reach into all areas
of the community.**
- 2 Connect people to
God as well as one
another.**
- 3 Build believers into
disciples of Jesus
Christ.**

***The emphasis of
Christianity is to become
more **LIKE JESUS
CHRIST** in every way
that we can.***

-What Shall We Do?

**Repent, Be Baptized in
the name of Jesus Christ,
& Receive the gift of the
Holy Spirit.**

Developing Christian Habits

- Bible Study & Prayer**
- Fellowship with Believers**
- Living a Spirit-Led Life**
- Giving of Yourself**
- Continual Growth**

New Destiny is a...

- **Spirit Filled Church**
- **Bible based Church**
- **Supernatural Church**
- **Church of Honor**
- **Church of Service**

2. Next Steps



Today you will hear from some of these Bible Study & DYND teachers and Life/Connection Group Leaders.

This is your opportunity to learn about Next Steps available to you at New Destiny to continue your path to grow in God's word, grow in relationship with God, to fellowship with fellow believers, and to fully become who God has called you to be in His Kingdom.



- **Join a personal Bible Study**
- **Join a group Bible Study**
- **Join Discover Your New Destiny (DYND) on Weds at 7:20pm**
- **Join a New Destiny Life Group**
- **Join Connections Group – Recovery Alive**
- **Join Connections Group – Mental Health Matters**

