



HEART OF THE CANYONS
CHURCH

MISSION AND VISION

"HEART OF THE CANYONS CHURCH LIVES TO KNOW AND LOVE JESUS, AND TO LOVE AND SERVE OTHERS."

Our purpose at Heart of the Canyons is to lead people to Jesus and membership in His family, teach them to worship the Lord and magnify His name, develop them to Christ-like maturity, and equip them for ministry in the church, and a mission in the world.

Heart of the Canyons Church is a "Purpose Driven Church". That purpose driven model provides us with a unique, biblically-based approach to establishing, transforming, and maintaining a balanced, growing congregation that seeks to fulfill the God-given purposes of worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and missions. This simple approach allows our church to have a common focus that includes a foundational understanding of the Bible and a clear method for measuring their own spiritual growth and the church's overall growth.

WORSHIP

To help people express their love for God

FELLOWSHIP

To build meaningful relationships with people

DISCIPLESHIP

To equip God's people for life and service

MINISTRY

To help people love other people

EVANGELISM

To share the message of Christ

The foundation for the Purpose Driven model is the Bible -- with an intentional emphasis on the Great Commandment (Matthew 22:37-40) and the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20).

Jesus gave the Great Commandment when He was asked to identify the most important of God's commands.

"Jesus replied: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang on these two commandments." Matthew 22:37-40

Later, as Jesus said goodbye to His disciples, He gave them a Great Commission that included three more tasks: go make disciples, baptize them, and teach them to obey everything Jesus taught.

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing 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. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

These two passages, the Great Commandment and the Great Commission, combine to create the essential elements of a healthy, growing, biblically-based church: worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and missions.