



## FIVE COMMITMENTS OF PURPOSE For A New Beginning

*“Now faith is the substance of what you are hoping for, and evidences what is unseen {that is, your unseen future}.” Hebrews 11:1*

### Guidelines:

- First, read the document on How To Make A Faith Commitment
- Second, signing your name to a Commitment of Purpose is optional. Don't be afraid to make bold statements of need or courageous commitments.
- Remember, Faith commitments must be verbalized to others. Jesus says, “If you shall say” to this mountain. Unstated commitments doesn't meet biblical standards
- Before making any of these commitments, spend 21 days in prayer, and fast at least one day per week or for three days within three weeks.

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The following represents a summary description for each of the Five Commitments of Purpose. The complete statements for each Commitment may be viewed on our website. Leaders have been assigned to each of these commitments, and will be available to answer any questions you may have. Review and discuss the brief descriptions with your group members. Before completing any one of the Commitments of Purpose, spend time in prayer over each, and ask the Lord for His guidance.

1. **The First Commitment:** [To be a true worshiper](#). The goal of this commitment is to give Jesus First Place in your life so that you can worship Him through the practices of complete tithing of your time, talents, and treasure. For some, this will require taking steps of growth.

**Discussion:** What challenging are you having to face or overcome in your progress towards giving God first place in your life? How might your experience be helpful to others?

2. **The Second Commitment:** [To Serve and do Good Works](#). This is a commitment that will empower your ability and capacity to render service to God and meet the needs of others. The commitment is modeled after the Prayer of Jabez (1 Chronicles 4:9-10). You will be making three specific Prayer Requests that will empower your life of service to God, and thus enable you express more and more love for God.

**Discussion:** Read 1 Chronicles 4:9-10. Jabez made three requests: He asked for God to bless him, enlarge his territory, and protect him. Which of his requests speaks for you, and how so?

3. **The Third Commitment:** [To know God and His Word](#). This is commitment to cultivate your communion with God and knowledge of His Will for your life. It is a commitment to three essential habits of spiritual maturity



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**Discussion:** It has been said that it takes approximately 21 days of consistent and repeated behavior to form a habit. What spiritual habits would you like to develop or become more consistent in practicing?

4. **The Fourth Commitment:** [To be a fully functional follower of Christ.](#) I will be committed to becoming a fully functional disciple of Christ by committing to three steps of intentional growth. A disciple is committed to becoming like his teacher.

**Discussion:** Read Ephesians 3:14-19. Where do you consider yourself to be on the following continuum of growth in discipleship? from character change (vv. 13-14); to having established and stable commitments (vv. 16-17); to being grounded in love for all believers, vv. 18-19; to the end result of Ephesians 3:20f.

5. **The Fifth Commitment:** [To Bring Others To Christ.](#) This is a commitment to be or become a vessel that God can use in bringing life to others. God is purposed and called each of us to become “fishers of mankind”. Making this commitment is allowing God to “order your steps” towards persons He has predestined you to encounter.

**Discussion:** What believer was involved in leading you to Christ? What can you do or begin doing to make this happen for someone similarly situated as you were?