

Book of Acts Church Core Ministries

Compassion and Care (Soul Winning) Seminar

Compassion and Care Ministry Objectives: Apostolic Actions! The actions arm of the church!

- **Emphasize the two components of God's love: compassion and care. Compassion is the emotion. Care is the action.**
- **Plan and develop a more organized and effective Compassion and Care Ministry (attracting, winning, retaining, and making disciples).**
- **Teach and train for the laity to effectively be involved in the ministry of soul winning.**

“Find a need and fill it! Find a hurt and heal it!”

- **Reach sinners in our individual harvest field. (Refer to Chart 3)**
- **Provide consistent loving care for visitors and new converts.**
- **Assure that every visitor is identified, their needs prayed for and two trained caregivers (primary and secondary) are assigned to follow-up the next 4 weeks. For the first year (weeks 5-52) a trained mentor will be assigned to track their needs and progress.**
- **On the first visit, the visitor should be invited by the assigned caregiver to meet the pastor. This would preferably be in a “green room” with light snacks and drinks. This will allow the caregiver to slow them down, begin building a relationship with them, and finding out their needs. Roll out the red carpet for the visitor whose soul is worth more than the value of the whole world.**
- **The key question to ask every visitor before they leave: “Do you have a need in your life we can pray for right now?”** A self-confessed need is a wide-open door for continued follow-up. We will pray for them and assure them that our prayer team will continue to pray for their needs. Also, they may be invited to be a member of one of our prayer teams.

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Primary Seminar Subjects:

- **The Attraction of the Spirit-filled Believer (Soul Winning).** Ministering like Jesus as son of man (for natural needs – building relationships), and then as son of God (for supernatural needs). Refer to the Chart 1 on the following page.
- **Compassion and Care Ministry Concepts.**
 - **The invaluable worth of one soul.**
 - **One-on-one ministry to the visitor.**
 - **The purpose and importance of caregivers and mentors.**

Optional Subjects:

- **Organization structures, processes, and teams**
“Teamwork makes the dream work!”

Note: The seminar agenda will be developed with the hosting pastor’s input regarding dates, times, topics, and any additional speakers.

Media Provided for the Seminar

Media Resource	Compassion and Care Seminar	Comments
Book	Revival and Evangelism <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Passion for God• Compassion for the Lost	Free e-copy of this book may be download from the website. Refer to section III, chapters 1-4
Charts	PowerPoint charts for the seminar	PowerPoint charts may be downloaded from the website.

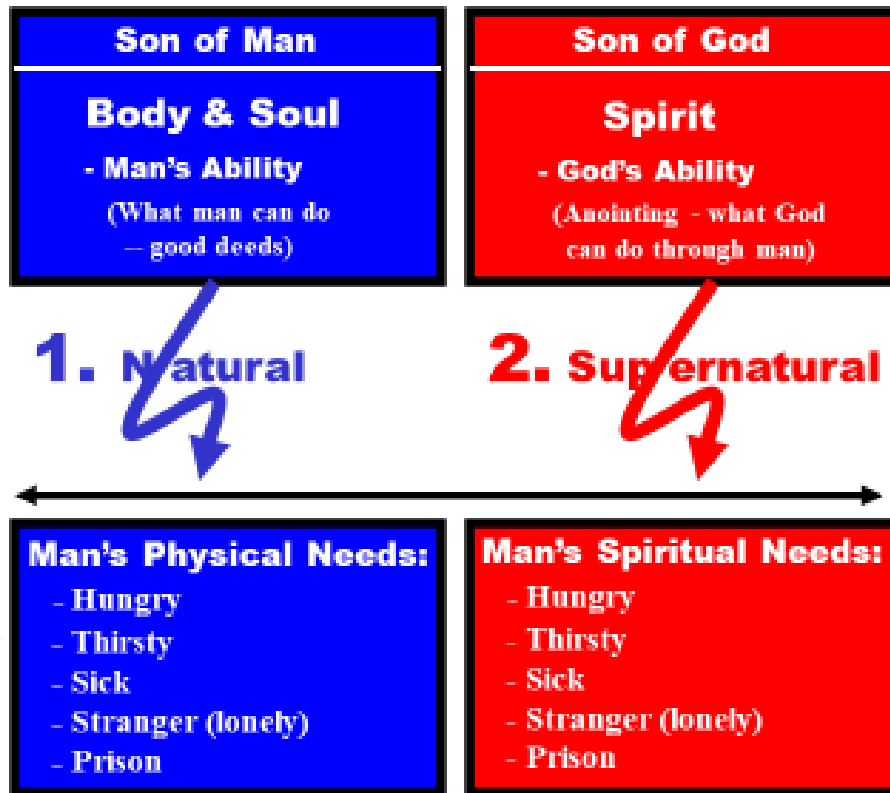
Chart 1

THE ONLY WAY WE CAN LOVE GOD
 -- is to love one of His children (lost or saved).
THE ONLY WAY TO DO SOMETHING FOR GOD
 -- is to do something for someone in need.
THE ONLY WAY TO MEET GOD'S NEEDS
 -- is to meet the needs of one of His children.



Matthew 25:34-40 Final test at the judgment
 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty,
 .. a stranger, .. naked, .. sick, .. prison, and ye came unto me.
 ... Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of
 these my brethren, ye have done it unto me.

The Born-again Christian's dual nature



- (1) Building a relationship with someone in need by doing kind deeds, as a **son of man**. These good deeds (what we can do) begin to open up the channel of God's love and compassion in our lives for the second step.
- (2) **God's supernatural power** -- what God can do through us, as a **son of God**, to minister to their spiritual needs.

Chart 2

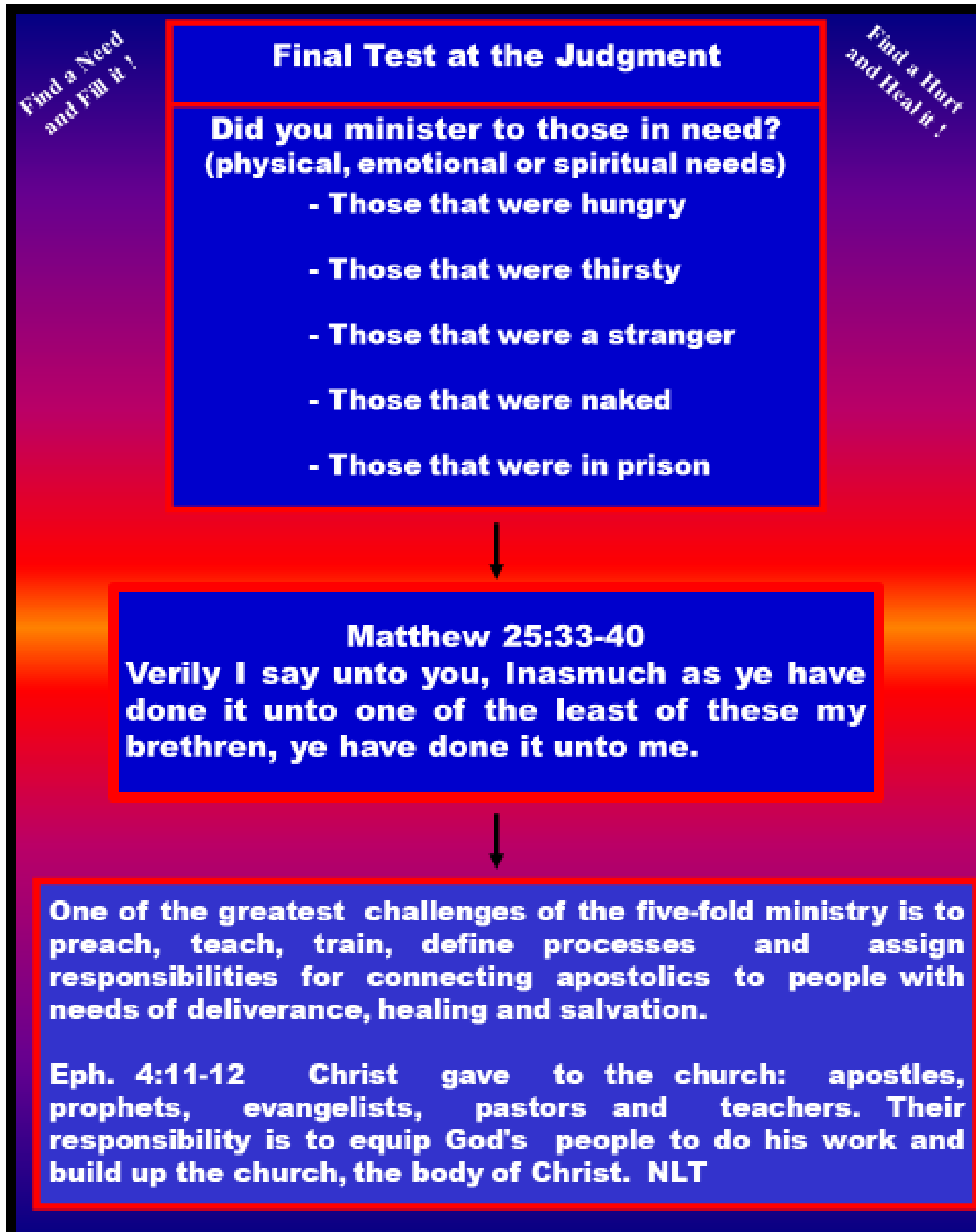
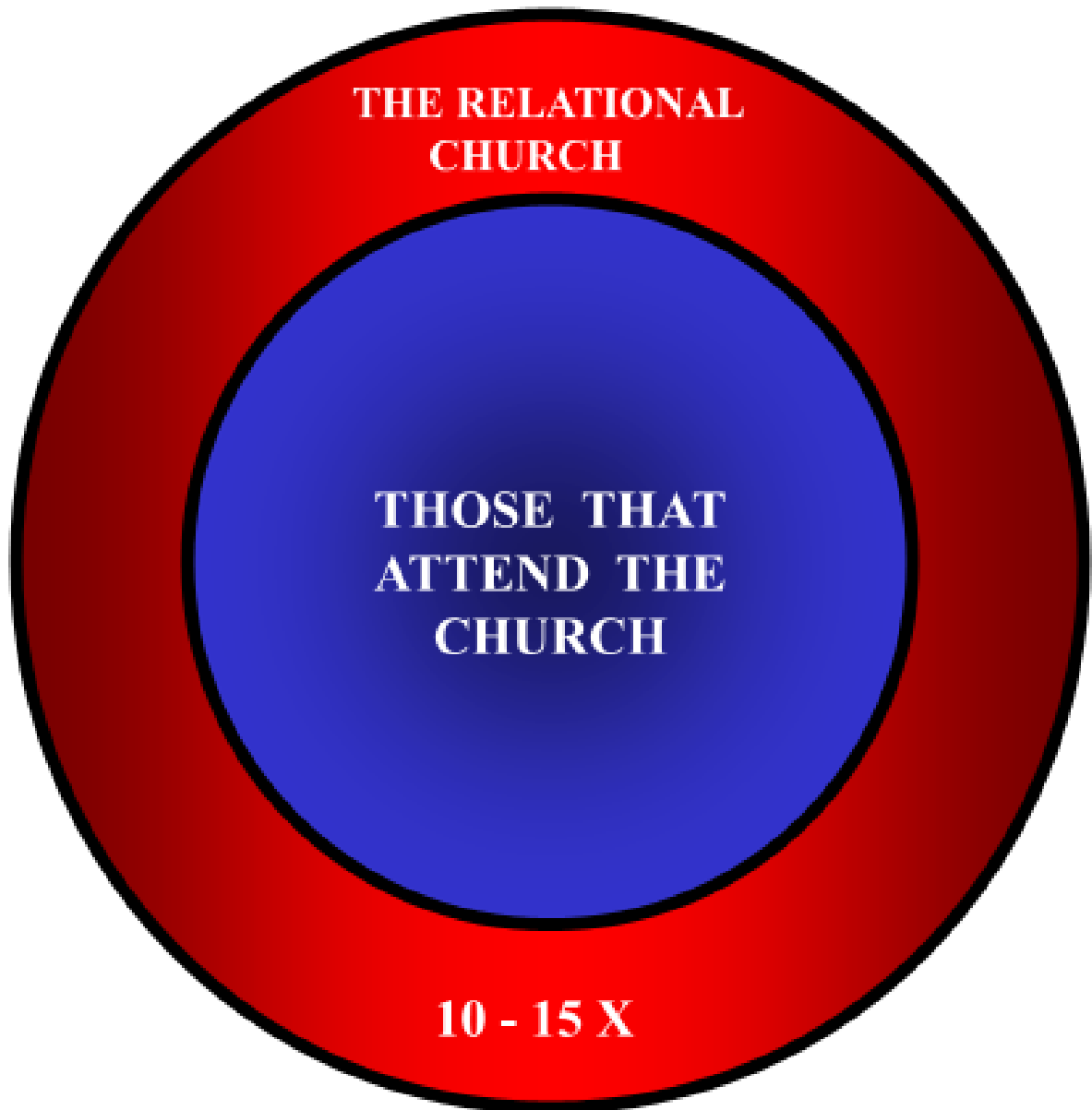


Chart 3

YOUR PERSONAL HARVEST FIELD



- EVERYONE HAS 15-20 PEOPLE IN THEIR CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE.
- AT ANY ONE TIME THERE ARE AT LEAST 2-3 PEOPLE WITH NEEDS.
- A SELF-CONFESSED NEED IS THE OPEN DOOR FOR SOUL WINNING.
- A CHURCH OF 300 MEMBERS HAS A RELATIONAL CHURCH OF 3,000 - 4,500 MEMBERS.