



THE CHURCH IS A CARDINAL, NOT A CHAMELEON

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Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. 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."

THE UNCHANGING COLOR OF THE CHURCH

- **God calls us as disciples to remain _____ – to stay true to who we are**

Acts 2:42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

- *The Apostle's Teaching: We are people who _____ God's Words.*
- *The Fellowship of Believers: We are people who _____ together.*
- *The Breaking of Bread and Prayer: We are people who _____ the gospel.*

2 Timothy 3:1-5 "But mark this: There will be terrible times in the last days. People will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boastful, proud, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, without love, unforgiving, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not lovers of the good, treacherous, rash, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God - having a form of godliness but denying its power.

- **As the world grows older, there will be an increased love of _____, and a decreased love of _____.**

THE UNCHANGING MISSION OF THE CHURCH

- **God calls us as disciples to remain _____ - to stay present to the world around us.**

Matthew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven."

THE PRESSURE TO CHANGE COLOR

- **God calls us as disciples to _____ changing color, no matter our environment or circumstances**

Colossians 2:6-8 So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.

Psalm 62:5-8 My soul, find rest in God; my hope comes from him. Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will not be shaken. My salvation and my honor depend on God; he is my mighty rock, my refuge. Trust in him at all times, you people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.

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