

CHRISTIAN STABILITY: OUR MOST POWERFUL WITNESS

Genesis 1:26-28 NIV – Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.” 27 So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. 28 God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground.”

The Saints have always felt the strong urge to find a place and a people and put their roots down.

The first vow St. Benedict called believers to take: The Vow of Stability in Place.

What is the purpose behind the vow of stability?

Stability in Our Place

1) Through the vow of stability, God wants to give us a gift.

Notice, the first gift that God gives humankind is the gift of place. And the first curse after The Fall is the curse of placelessness.

Place gives us:
Deep Security | Secure Identity | Skilled Mastery

2) Through faithful stability, God wants to make us holy.

A couple of cultural trends at play:
1. We live in an Age of Wanderlust
2. We have become Pathologically Conflict-Avoidant

If you want to become holy, remember that people are the great purifiers!

3) Through our faithful stability, God will use us to “re-family” the world.

“A father to the fatherless, a defender of widows, is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families.” – Psalm 68:5-6

Stability In Our Sexuality

1 Corinthians 6:9-20 NIV

Corinthianize = to become sexually deviant.

Psychosomatic unity – it means that are soul, spirit, and body are one. You can't neatly separate one from the other.

The lie about sex has two parts:
a. Sex is just physical – it's like any other biological need.
b. What you do with your body has no bearing on your soul.

1) God created the spirit, soul, and body to function as one (vv. 16-17).

2) Christ died to redeem our bodies, too (vv. 13-14).

3) God designed sex to re-enact the most intimate parts of our relationship with Him (vv. 15-16).

When you sin sexually, you sin against 3 things:
You sin against God.
You sin against the person you are having sex with.
You sin against yourself.

WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at dwellinplacemovement@gmail.com.

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

GATHER

Sundays in March- 9a + 11a
Missions March: The With-God Life

The life we have been created to live is the dynamic, pulsating "with-God life." And Jesus has made available to you and to me this "life that is life indeed" (1 Tim 6:19). God has a mission. Here is the good news; we have been invited into this mission by participating WITH God. He wants us to become His disciples, to be with Him in our everyday lives. Be sure to join us as we move on mission all March long!

GIVE

"His Blueprint" Capital Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!

We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022
\$220,000

Commitment Levels:

One time Legacy Gifts

20K - Gold Legacy Gift

10K - Silver Legacy Gift

1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges

\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

GROW

Thursday, March 3 -7p - 9p
Night Eight of our Winter Semester of Growth Phases

Join us for the eighth night of our winter semester of Growth Phases. We can't wait to see all the Lord does in your life this session.

GROUP

Sunday, March 6 + 20 -
Connect Group Night

Our connect groups will be meeting all over the area this evening. If you would like to join a connect group, please visit the Next Steps table in the lobby.

GO

Monday Evening, March 21 -
Saturday, March 26 -
Missions March

Make plans for you and your whole family to join us as we serve the City of Woodstock in many ways to many people every evening during Missions March Week! Find out more information at the Next Steps table today and get signed up!

3/21, Monday -

Ansley Park

3/22, Tuesday -

Woodstock Fire Department

3/23, Wednesday -

TBD

3/24, Thursday -

Bring a Friend to Growth Phases Street

3/25, Friday -

Evangelism in Downtown Woodstock

3/26, Saturday -

The HOPE Center/Seeds Thrift Store