



Core Values 3.0

love God - build the Church - reach the World

Why Core Values?

- Well meaning desire to simply be “biblical”
- These are core, not mean to be exhaustive, but fundamental to all others
- Touchstones to come back to for reflection and assessment to keep the primary things central

RBC Nashville Core Values

love *God*

- By Pursuing God in the Word and Prayer
- By Worshipping God Corporately and Personally

build the *Church*

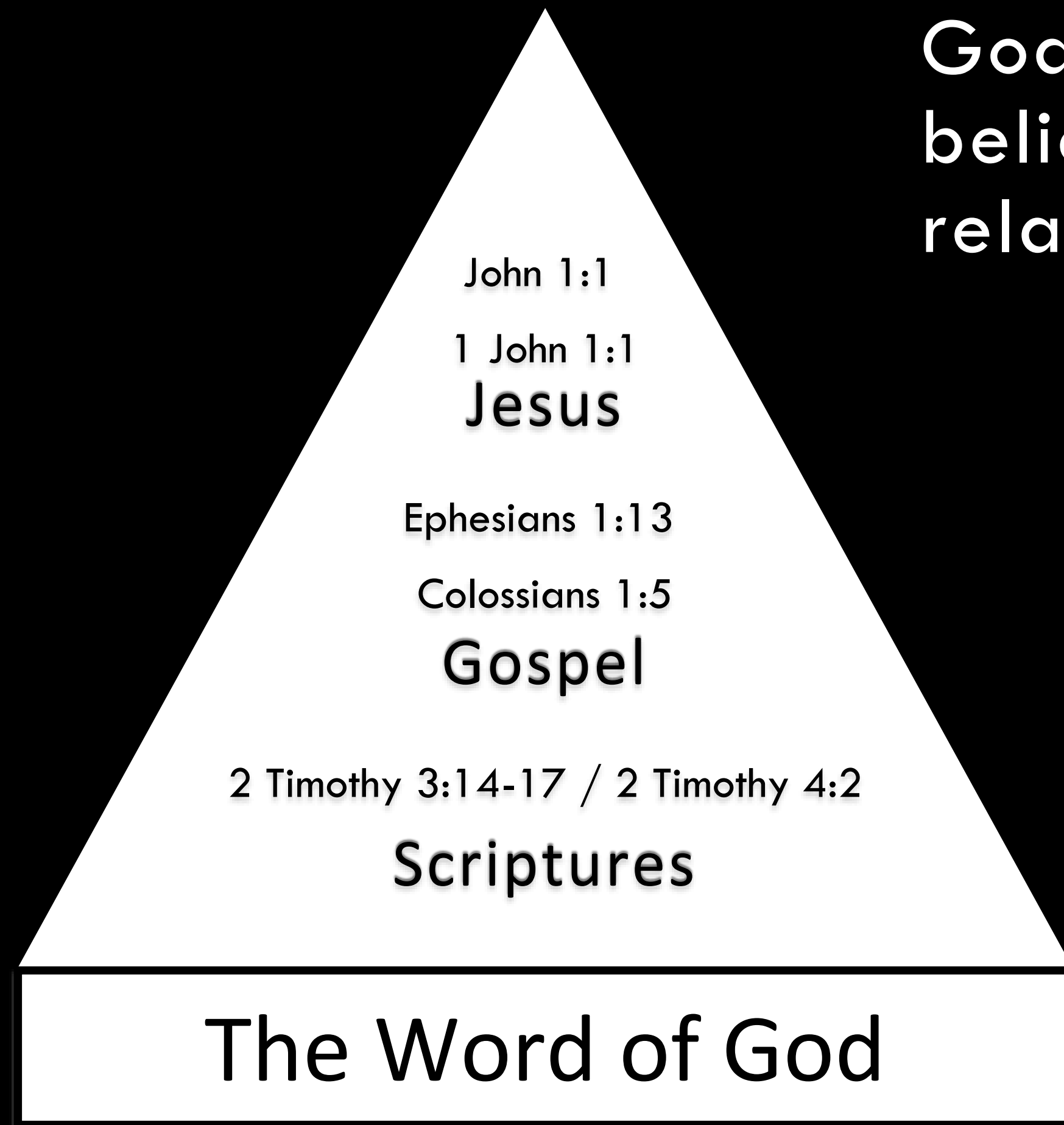
- By Making and Maturing Disciples of Christ
- By Equipping and Serving the Body of Christ

reach the *World*

- By Planting Churches Locally and Abroad
- By Serving Communities in Mercy and Justice

love God - By Pursuing God...in the Word

We are a people who are pursuing God by hearing His Scriptures, believing His Gospel, and living in relationship with His Son.



Note: Hearing includes all modes of input: i.e. reading, hearing, singing, memorizing, etc.

The importance of all 3

- Bible worship (without J/G)
- Gospel worship (without B/J)
- Jesus worship (without B/G)

love God - By Pursuing God...in Prayer

The Rights to Prayer

- *Reconciliation* to the Father - Rom5:10
- *Adoption* through the Son - Eph1:5
- *Indwelling* by the Spirit - Romans 8:15

The Ingredients of Prayer

- *Adoration* - of God (as Creator and Redeemer)
- *Confession* - of our sin (both omission and commission)
- *Thanksgiving* - for God's gifts (both physical and spiritual)
- *Supplication* - for our needs (both self and others)

The Times of Prayer

- *Focused* - intentional, purposeful, intensified engagement with God - Psa5:3; Mat6:6-13
- *Moment-by-moment* - ongoing, relational, presence of God - 1Thes5:17

love God - By Worshipping God...

- Worship - expressing God's "worth-ship" with our hearts, minds, mouths, ears, and whole bodies
- Corporately* - 1Cor11:18
 - Biblical themes of the people, a holy nation, the temple, priesthood, family, army, et al.
 - The Lord's Day is an eschatological symbol for the Gathering of the people of God for His worship from the N/S/E/W in the presence and Spirit of God
- *Personally* - Romans 12:1
 - The reality of being redeemed possessions of Christ, and living the entirety of life for His glory

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