

“PFN VISION 2024” – Part Three

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- In 2017 _____ % of Americans attended a church service weekly, _____ % of Americans never attended a service.
- Today, _____ % of Americans attend a church service at least a couple times a year, yet _____ % of Americans never attend ANY sort of religious service in a year’s time.
- Pre-pandemic, _____ % of Millennials attended a church service, now the percentage is up to _____ %.
- _____ % of Millennials and Gen Z want a church that helps the poor.
- _____ % of Millennials and Gen Z want a church that cares for their mental health.
- _____ % of Millennials and Gen Z want a church that serves their community.

GATHER – GROW – GO

GATHER

1. God’s Word tell us to meet _____.

“Do not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.” - Hebrews 10:25

2. There is power in _____ worship.

“For where two or three gather in My name, there am I with them.” - Matthew 18:20

3. We need the _____ of Christ.

4. We grow spiritually _____, more than _____.

- Being a **disciple** is what it means to be a Christian.
- Christianity is a relationship, but it is a relationship that requires **discipline**.

GROW

“The time has come,” he said. “The kingdom of God has come near. Repent and believe the good news!” - Mark 1:15

¹⁶ “As Jesus walked beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁷ “Come, follow Me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ¹⁸ At once they left their nets and followed Him.

¹⁹ When He had gone a little farther, He saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John in a boat, preparing their nets. ²⁰ Without delay He called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men and followed Him.” - Mark 1:16-20

- You cannot separate _____ from Christianity.
- Discipleship - the process of following Jesus by _____, _____, and _____ the Word of Christ.

¹⁹ “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, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” - Matthew 28:19-20

¹⁵ “I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from My Father I have made known to you (that is discipleship). ¹⁶ You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—and so that whatever you ask in My name the Father will give you. ¹⁷ This is My command: Love each other.” - John 15:15-17

⁶ “I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. ⁷ So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. ⁸ The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. ⁹ For we are co-workers in God’s service; you are God’s field, God’s building.” - 1 Corinthians 3:6-9

“As you sent Me into the world, I have sent them into the world.” - John 17:18

GO

- With Whom and to Whom are you being sent?