

**WHY
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CHURCH
MATTER?**

PART 3 - "COME TO THE TABLE"

**We build churches that
transform lives, by
experiencing Grace and the
Holy Spirit**

14 YEARS AT NORTHLANDS

728 Sundays

x 40min sermons

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485.3 Hours

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4,164 Hours

DEUTERONOMY 6:4-9

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. **Impress them** on your children. **Talk about them** when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. **Tie them as symbols** on your hands and **bind them** on your foreheads. **Write them** on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates.

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Health, Vitality, Values, Convictions, Purpose and Meaning

The Human Brain

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CULTURE:

**Sells us on 2nd order desires,
and promises by means of 1st
order desires.**

**The Slow, Hard,
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ACTS 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' **teaching and to fellowship,** to the **breaking of bread** and to **prayer**. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. **They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.**

ACTS 2:42-47

Every day they continued to **meet together in the temple courts**. They **broke bread in their homes and ate together** with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

ROMANS 12:10-13

Be **devoted** to one another in **love**. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be **joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.**

ROMANS 12:14-18

Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.

HEBREWS 10:24-25

And let us consider how we may **spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving 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.

GALATIANS 6:2

Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

1 CORINTHIANS 12:26-27

If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.

1-3 Months:
Chemistry

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4-6 Months:
Trust and Understanding

JAMES 5:16

Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

1-3 Months:
Chemistry

4-6 Months:
Trust and Understanding

7-9 Months:
Speaking into Each Others Lives

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Joshua 1:6

STUDIES AND
OBSERVATIONS GROUP
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**CHOOSING
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Season of Life**

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Meals

Leaders of Groups

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2. Host a dinner at your home.

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