



CENTRAL

Vision Series
Rebuilding an Adaptive Culture: Becoming Who We Are (Part 1)

Who are we?
Second African
Eighth Street
Central

Adaptive Mindset

Baptist Church
Theological distinctives

1. Authority of the _____
2. Priesthood of _____ Believers
3. Ordinances (_____ Baptism & Holy Communion)

The Church

_____ of Christ
Sheepfold

We are...Central; Central, a Baptist Church, we are Central Baptist Church.

Kingdom of God

Reign- _____
Rule- _____
Realm- _____

c.f. Revelation 11:15 *“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah, and he will reign forever and ever.”*

Question: In what areas of my life and ministry do I feel entitlement, pride or need to control?

Discipleship is a transformative process through which disciples grow in their relationship with God through Jesus Christ by the Spirit’s power. Central’s development model is intentional in order to systematically move people from world-centered existing to Christ-centered, purpose-driven living.

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Foundation: The Word of God

Scripture: Acts 2:42-47 New Revised Standard Version

42 They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.

43 Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles.

44 All who believed were together and had all things in common;

45 they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need.

46 Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts,

47 praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

Motto: *Making Disciples...Transforming Lives*

c.f. Matthew 16:17-29

Jesus

We understand the person and work of Jesus through the lens of a historic, urban African American lens.

Gates

The Rules of Engagement: the art of strategic prayer and spiritual warfare
by Cindy Trimm

"Our role is to activate and enforce the authority God has given us. As an empowered believer, you should no longer be satisfied with standing on the sidelines or accepting anything from the enemy." (page 5)

Blessed be the Lord, my rock, who trains my hands for war, and my fingers for battle; my rock and my fortress, my stronghold and my deliverer, my shield, in whom I take refuge, who subdues the peoples under me. (Psalm 144:1-2)

- _____ Your Mind with the Word
- Pray without _____
- _____ Your Burdens on God
- Maintain a _____ of Faith
- Put on the Whole _____ of God (c.f. Ephesians 6:16-18)
- Use _____ with what you Hear

- Who Are We: We Are Central

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