Commitment to Word of Grace Bible Church

(Rev 19:7 NAU) 7 "Let us rejoice and be glad and a give the glory to Him, for b the marriage of the Lamb has come and His c bride has made herself ready."

I. Acceptance of church doctrine

(Eph 4:11-13 NAU) 11 And He a gave b some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as c evangelists, and some as d teachers,
12 a for the equipping of the e saints for the work of service, to the building up of b the body of Christ;
13 until we all attain to a the unity of the faith, and of the b knowledge of the Son of God, to a c mature man, to the measure of the stature d which belongs to the e fullness of Christ.

(Act 17:11 NAU) 11 Now these were more noble-minded than those in a Thessalonica, f for they received the word with g great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.

(Act 18:24-26 NAU) 24 Now a Jew named a Apollos, an b Alexandrian by birth, c an eloquent man,
came to d Ephesus; and he was mighty in the Scriptures.
25 This man had been instructed in e the way of the Lord; and being fervent in spirit, he was speaking and teaching accurately the things concerning Jesus, being acquainted only with f the baptism of John;
26 and g he began to speak out boldly in the synagogue. But when a Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him h the way of God more accurately.

(Rom 12:16 NAU) 16 a Be of the same mind toward one another; b do not be haughty in mind, but c associate with the lowly. d Do not be wise in your own estimation.

II. Acceptance of church leadership

(1Pe 5:5 NAU) 5 a You younger men, likewise, b be subject to your elders; and all of you, clothe yourselves with a humility toward one another, for d God is opposed to the proud, but gives grace to the humble.

(Heb 13:17 NAU) 17 a Obey your leaders and submit to them, for b they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. c Let them do this with joy and not d with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.

(Ac 4:34-35 NAU) 34 For there was not a needy person among them, for all who were owners of land or houses a would sell them and bring the b proceeds of the sales
35 and a lay them at the apostles' feet, and they would be distributed to each as any had need.
III. Acceptance of church philosophy

Act. 6:1-7

(Act 4:36-37 NAU) 36 Now Joseph, a Levite of \(^\text{a}\)Cyprian birth, who was also called \(^\text{b}\)Barnabas by the apostles (which translated means Son of \(^\text{c}\)Encouragement), 37 and who owned a tract of land, sold it and brought the money and \(^\text{a}\)laid it at the apostles' feet.

IV. Acceptance of church body

(Eph 5:25-27 NAU) 25 \(^\text{a}\)Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and \(^\text{b}\)gave Himself up for her, 26 \(^\text{a}\)so that He might sanctify her, having \(^\text{b}\)cleansed her by the \(^\text{c}\)washing of water with \(^\text{d}\)the word, 27 that He might \(^\text{a}\)present to Himself the church \(^\text{1}\)in all her glory, having no spot or wrinkle or any such thing; but that she would be \(^\text{a}\)holy and blameless.

(Eph 5:30 NAU) 30 because we are \(^\text{a}\)members of His \(^\text{b}\)body.

(Rom 12:4-5 NAU) 4 For \(^\text{a}\)just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, 5 so we, \(^\text{a}\)who are many, are \(^\text{b}\)one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

(Rom 12:10 NAU) 10 \(^\text{a}\)Be \(^\text{a}\)devoted to one another in brotherly love; \(^\text{1}\)give preference to one another \(^\text{b}\)in honor;

1Jo 4:20 If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.

(Eph 1:22-23 NAU) 22 And He \(^\text{a}\)put all in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as \(^\text{b}\)head over all things to the church, 23 which is His \(^\text{a}\)body, the \(^\text{b}\)fullness of Him who \(^\text{c}\)fills \(^\text{d}\)all in all. 24 To help others change acceptance of them is imperative (patience)

(Mat 18:15 NAU) 15 "\(^\text{a}\)If your brother sins \(^\text{1}\), go and \(^\text{2}\)show him his fault \(^\text{3}\)in private; if he listens to you, you have won your brother.

(Gal 6:1-2 NAU) Brethren, even if \(^\text{1}\)anyone is caught in any trespass, you who are \(^\text{b}\)spiritual, \(^\text{c}\)restore such a one \(^\text{d}\)in a spirit of gentleness; \textit{each one} looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. \(^\text{2}\)\(^\text{a}\)Bear one another's burdens, and thereby fulfill \(^\text{b}\)the law of Christ.

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V. Acceptance of church’s position in its development

- Biblical preaching
- Establishing a governing body (Elder board)
- Developing a doctrinal statement
- Developing a church constitution
- Emphasizing shepherding, developing discipleship networks
- Developing a youth ministry
- Developing leadership for the future
- Equipping people for serving
- Teaching on praise, developing of musical structure
- Developing an effective children’s ministry
- Developing a ministry for equipping parents
- Evangelism and outreach department
- Missions and church planting
- Family integrated ministries