Sermon



I always advise people never to give advice.

P G Wodehouse

Always drink upstream from the herd.

Will Rogers





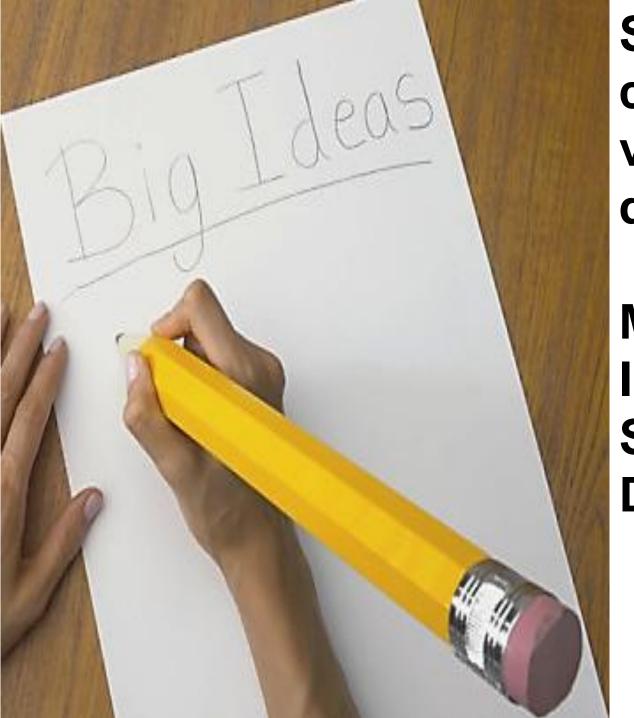
The only good thing to do with good advice is pass it on; it is never of any use to oneself.

Oscar Wilde

⁹Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; 10 love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. 11 Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹²Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints;

extend hospitality to strangers. ¹⁴Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. ¹⁵Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep. ¹⁶Live in harmony with one another; do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly; do not claim to be wiser than you are.

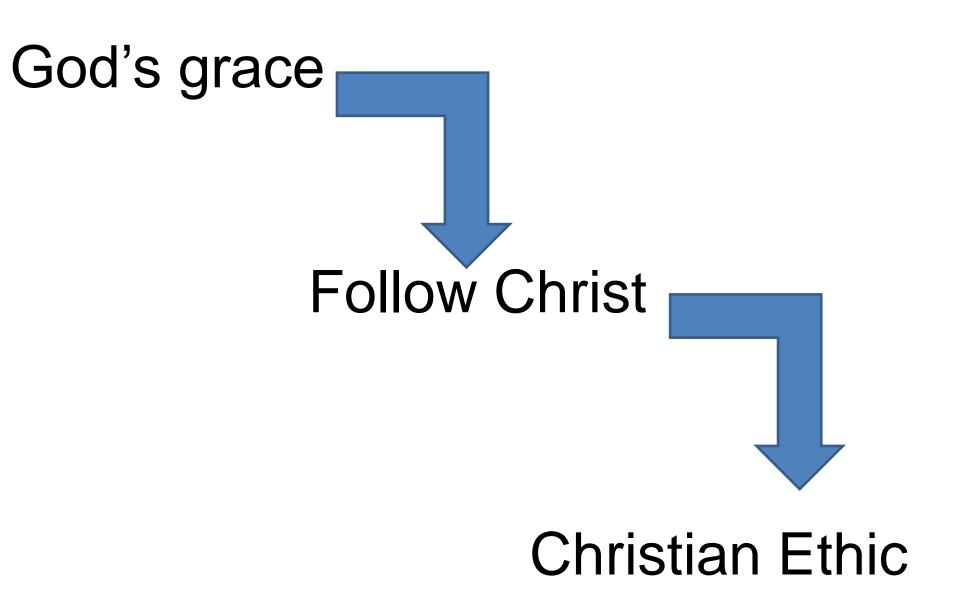
¹⁷Do not repay anyone evil for evil, but take thought for what is noble in the sight of all. ¹⁸If it is possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves.



Sweeping cross-shaped vision of discipleship:

Motivates.
Inspires.
Sustains.
Drives.

Then Jesus told his disciples, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. ²⁵For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. ²⁶For what will it profit them if they gain the whole world but forfeit their life? Or what will they give in return for their life? ²





1. Let love be genuine.

2. Be ardent in spirit.

3. Outdo one another in showing honour.



Genuine, sincere, true, without a mask of image.



Ardent zeal. Fervent discipleship. Burning passion.



We are marching in the light of God



Spiritual Disciplines

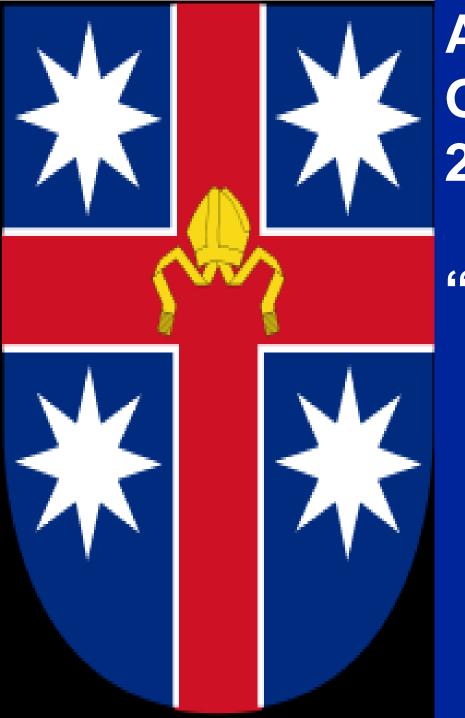
Celebration, confession, fasting, fellowship, giving, guidance, hospitality, humility, meditation, prayer, reflection, self-control, servanthood, service, silence, simplicity, singing, slowing, solitude, study, surrender, teaching, and worship.

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. 10Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. 11Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. 12Be joyful n hope, patient in affliction, faithful in orayer. 13Share with God's people who re in need. Practice hospitality.



Be the first to show respect.

Give due regard to the words, views and feelings of others.



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