



Guidelines for the Redemptive Community

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The following were created in the late 1990s as an outline for a larger paper. The paper to this point has not been located; but certainly the themes expressed in the following statements are reflected in numerous of Ted's writings. LC

Community Task: Engaged in a quest for more perfect justice—the transactions among its people reflect God's love.

Individual Task: Engaged in the practice of truth—the principles of God's Word are foundational to a peculiar lifestyle.

World Task: Engaged in redemptive outreach—the awareness of human need is constantly expanding, the sensitive and insightful response to need deepens in emotional commitment and in knowledgeable response.

Processes in the Maturing of Obedience

1. The Consciousness of God—a human attribute widely shared.
2. Relationship to God—on God's terms.
3. Fellowship with God—a walk of faith
4. Conformity with God—willing responsiveness
5. Identity (oneness) with God—in and through Jesus Christ