

Obeying Christ:

***The Fulfillment of our Relationship
with God***

Series: Simple Church:

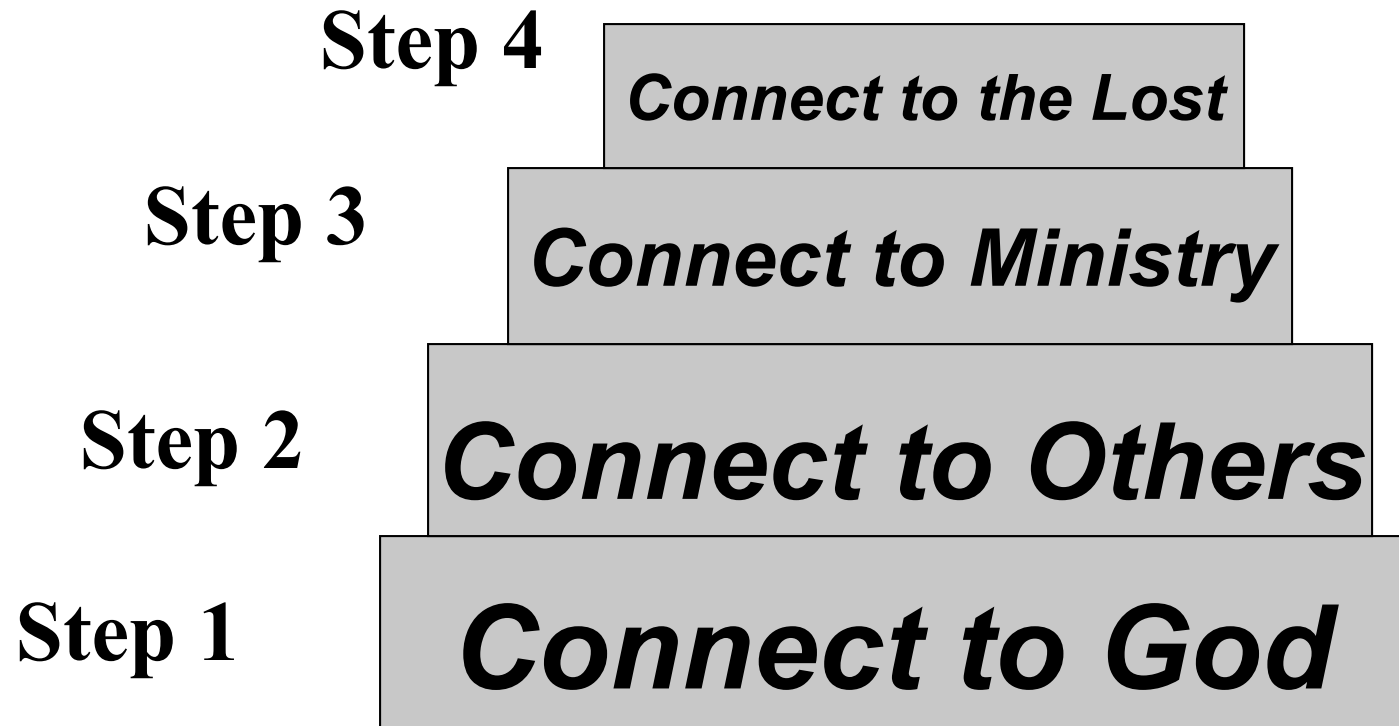
Connecting People to God

John 14:15-24

Over the past...

⌘...three weeks we have been climbing what amounts to a relational pyramid. Today, hopefully you will fully understand the need to climb that pyramid.

Our *Simple Church* Pyramid



Our Relationship Pyramid: Connecting to God

Obeying Christ

(John 14:15-24)

Loving Christ

(1 John 4:7-18)

Trusting Christ

(1 John 5:9-15)

Knowing Christ

(Matthew 16:12-20)

Today...

⌘...we are going to focus on perhaps our greatest challenges as believers: **Obeying Christ. You will hopefully see why obedience is not automatic.**

Sermon Thesis

⌘ We know that we have a genuine connection to God when we move to the place where obedience to Christ is a delight and not a just a duty.

Love is the...



⌘...ultimate

***motivation* for**

obeying Christ. (John

14:15)

Jesus Christ...

⌘...said “If you love Me, you will keep my commandments.”

The Holy Spirit is...

⌘...the ultimate

means for obeying

Christ. (John 14:16-

20)

Jesus Christ...

⌘...said “I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever;” (John 14:16a)

Divine Enablement

⌘ Jesus is saying ,as you attempt to obey Me, I will give you My enablement—the Holy Spirit. He promises a “Helper” that will be with us forever.

Jesus Christ...

⌘...enables us to
obey Him.

Obedience is...

⌘...the ultimate
manifestation of
love for Christ. (John
14:21-24)

Jesus says...

⌘...He who has my
commandments and
keeps them is the
one who loves Me...
(John 14:21a)