

LIVESTREAM

LIFE CHANGING

Relationships

Part 1: Formed for God's Family

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Prayer Highlights



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Introduction:

One of the tools that we have implemented is an evaluation process called "APEST"



1. **What is it?**
2. **Why APEST?**
3. **Who can participate?**
4. **Where can I find more information?**
5. **How can we implement APEST here at GICC?**



1. WHAT IS IT?

- The APEST Evaluation Tool is designed to help people identify their natural, ministry motivation and expression in a given situation.
- The APEST Evaluation Tool is a mixture of personal identity, God's calling, the Spirit's gifting, and community discernment.



2. WHY APEST?

It helps Discover Your Kingdom Strengths

- We only really know ourselves and our ministry impact in relation to others. So we believe that the best way to know your ministry is to somehow assess its impact on people around you...



- For there to be movement or growth in any context, a team should draw upon the natural energy and momentum inherent in each member.
- Every person functions in unique ways. It is remarkable when a group allows each member to function out of their natural capacities, thus contributing to the overall movement, direction, and wisdom of a team.



2. WHO CAN PARTICIPATE?

**"Every one of us has been
called to build up
the Body of Christ."**



Ephesians 4:11-16

“Now these are the gifts Christ gave to the church: the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, and the pastors and teachers. Their responsibility is to equip God’s people to do his work and build up the church, the body of Christ. This will continue until we all come to such unity in our faith and knowledge of God’s Son that we will be mature in the Lord, measuring up to the full and complete standard of Christ.



Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won't be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."



**Apostle,
Prophet,
Evangelist,
Shepherd/Pastor and
Teacher.**



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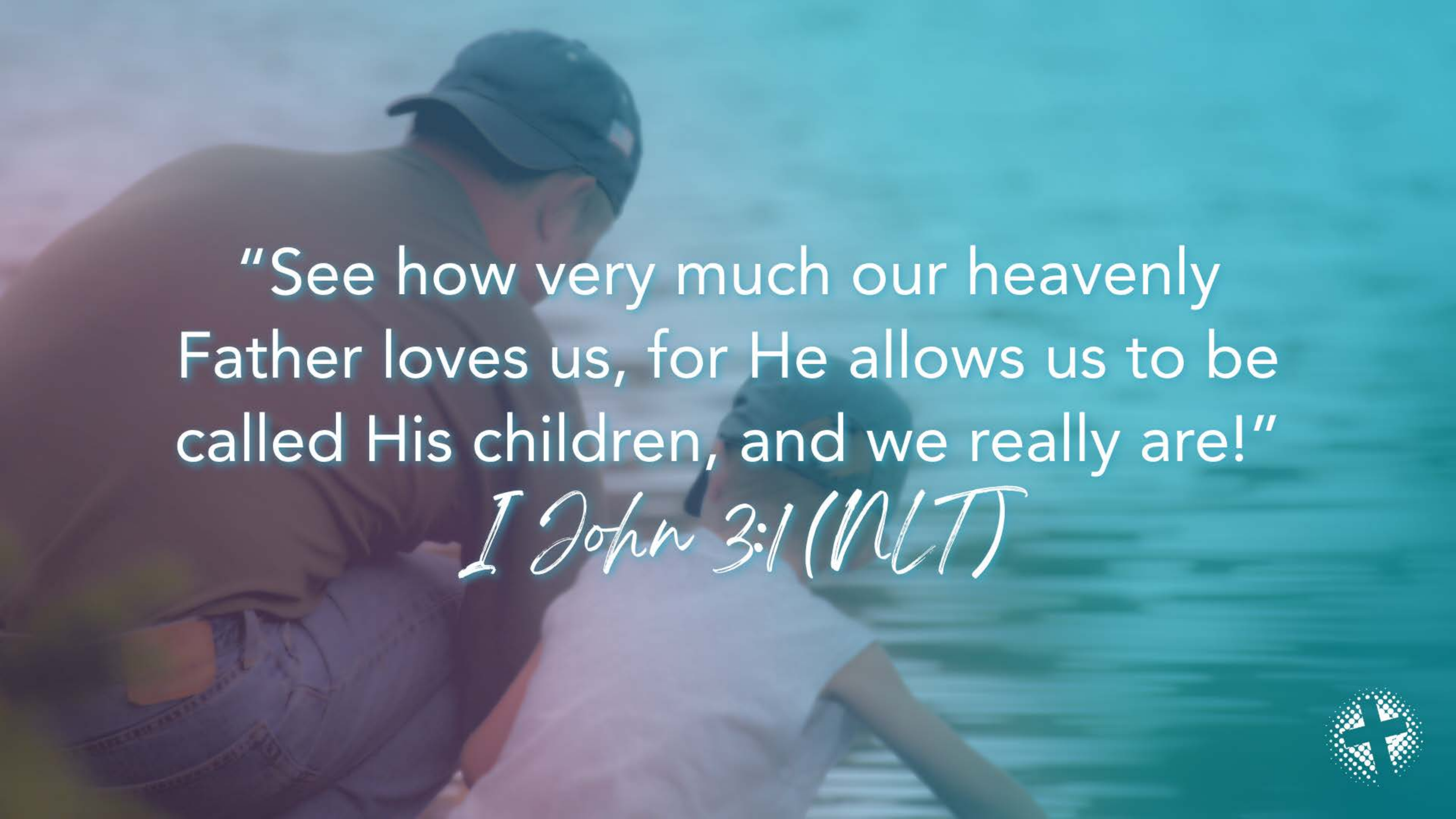
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“God is the One who made all things, and all things are for His glory. He wanted to have many children share His glory.”

Hebrews 2:10 a (NCV)



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“See how very much our heavenly
Father loves us, for He allows us to be
called His children, and we really are!”

I John 3:1 (NLT)



"His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself through Jesus Christ. And this gave Him great pleasure."

Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)



"It was a happy day for Him when He gave us our new lives, through the truth of His Word, and we became, as it were, the first children in His new family."

James 1:18



God" Has given us the privilege of being born again, so that we are now members of God's own family."

1 Peter 1:3



**"YOU ARE ALL CHILDREN OF
GOD THROUGH FAITH IN
CHRIST JESUS."
GALATIANS 3:26**



"When I think of the wisdom and scope of His plan I fall down on my knees and pray to the Father of all the great family of God—some of them already in heaven and some down here on earth"

Ephesians 3:14-15





*"Since you are His child,
everything He has belongs to you."*



"My God will meet all your
needs according to His glorious
riches in Christ Jesus."

Philippians 4:19



**"I WANT YOU TO REALIZE WHAT A
RICH AND GLORIOUS INHERITANCE
HE HAS GIVEN TO HIS PEOPLE."**

EPHESIANS 1:18



"God has reserved a priceless inheritance for His children. It is kept in heaven for you, pure and undefiled, beyond the reach of change and decay."

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"Jesus and the people he makes
holy all belong to the same family.
That is why He isn't ashamed to call
them His brothers and sisters. "

Hebrews 2:11



"[Jesus] pointed to His disciples and said, 'These are my mother and brothers. Anyone who does the will of my Father in heaven is my brother and sister and mother!'"

Matthew 12:49-50

