

## DD—CW—ACT—Paradigms as Practices—with Scriptures (21)

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A Paradigm is a way of doing something.

Paradigms, when used, are Practices.

Paradigms as Practices train us.

Some Paradigms as Practices may, unintentionally, train us poorly.

This can result in Hosea 4:6—*My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge...*

There are, below, Paradigms as Practices that are often used in the Institutional Church (IC).

There are, also, Paradigms as Practices that are used in the All Needs Met Commandments Training (ACT).

Scriptures are included to show the foundations of the ACT Paradigms.

The intention and hope is that God’s People will have the Knowledge they need.

And with that Knowledge, attain the Abundant Life, now and forever, that God wants for each of us.

#	L	IC Paradigm as Practice	Scripture	ACT Paradigm as Practice
1	1	My Opinion	Revelation 12:11	My Story
1	2	My Opinion  1. In the IC, a Bible study group that is open to discussion can become a competition of opinion. 2. A passage may mean different things to different people, which is likely. 3. In an opinion group, the focus can be on trying to establish who is correct, which means others are not correct. 4. This may be challenging as we try to accommodate a view that may be relevant to the one, but not necessarily relevant to the many.	Revelation 12:11  <i>“And they overcame him because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, ...</i>	My Story  1. In the ACT, we encourage participants to speak about how a passage is personally relevant. 2. We might ask questions such as: “Have I experienced this truth?” “Is this truth active in my life?” 3. In My Story, we encourage participants to use “I, me and my” statements, and to avoid the “You, we and us” pronouns, as these may imply that others must do what the one is suggesting. 4. We are transformed by the renewal of our minds [Romans 12:2]; the renewal of our minds is most likely to happen if we are personally honest, if we are, or if I am, telling “My Story.” 5. My Story also allows others to objectively hear a perspective that may clarify how they understand a passage.
2	1	Unprotected Speaking	James 1:19	Protected Speaking
2	2	Unprotected Speaking  1. In the IC, meetings can inadvertently become insensitive, or a session of counseling and/or fixing. 2. One person shares, and others may criticize, judge, joke,	James 1:19  <i>(James writing:) But let every one be quick to hear, slow to speak....</i>	Protected Speaking  1. In the ACT, we use Protected Speaking. 2. In Protected Speaking we make no comments whatsoever on what someone else is saying.

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		<p>condemn, direct, fix, guide, counsel, approve, disagree.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Every comment can have an effect.</li> <li>It may be well intentioned, but the result is that the speaker may feel unsafe.</li> <li>Losing safety, we can begin to hide what is true for us, because we don't want to cope with the reactions that will come our way.</li> <li>We, as a group, can become quick to speak and slow to hear.</li> </ol>		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We may laugh along with someone, but otherwise, nothing comes out of our mouths.</li> <li>This, over time, can create a very safe environment, allowing us to share our deepest truths, which we need to be able to do for growth and transformation.</li> <li>We are invited to say, "Thank you," at the end of each share. This phrase demonstrates attention, inclusion, appreciation and empathy.</li> <li>Protected Speaking can train us to become quick to hear, and slow to speak.</li> </ol>
3	1	Untimed Speaking	Galatians 3:28	Timed Speaking
3	2	Untimed Speaking <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Often, in IC fellowships, there is no limit placed on how long someone speaks.</li> <li>This can result in "Dominators" using most of the time.</li> <li>This can also result in "Recessives" not speaking much, if at all.</li> <li>Untimed Speaking can lead to the awkwardness that comes of trying to manage someone who may be using an inordinate amount of time.</li> <li>This approach can also make it difficult to draw out the quieter ones.</li> <li>This approach can make us less equal in our shares.</li> </ol>	Galatians 3:28  <i>(Paul writing:)            There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.</i>	Timed Speaking <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the ACT, we encourage the use of Timed Speaking to increase equality and the awareness of time, both for the Dominator and for the Recessive.</li> <li>Timed Speaking creates a boundary for each, which allows greater freedom for each.</li> <li>The Dominator becomes more succinct.</li> <li>The Recessive is given an assigned space in time in which to speak.</li> <li>As we adhere to limited time, no one need manage another, because we know it will end, because we all know that we are all under the same limit of time.</li> <li>The boundary in time manages all of us, and emphasizes that we are all equal under Our Lord.</li> </ol>
4	1	Gospel Laxity	Mk 16:15-16\Lk 24:45-47	Gospel Clarity
4	2	Gospel Laxity <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lax = (M-W dict.) loose, deficient.</li> <li>In the IC it seems that the Good News, or Gospel, of what Jesus has done for us, and what He is offering to us, is not clearly presented.</li> <li>It has been my experience in the IC that, often, the routine is</li> </ol>	<i>And He (Jesus) said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation. He who has believed and has been baptized shall be save; but he who has disbelieved shall be condemned...."</i>	Gospel Clarity <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Good News, or Gospel, of Jesus is that He is offering to wipe our Spiritual Slate clean, by forgiving us of all sin as we repent, which allows us to have access to the Father and to an eternity with Him.</li> </ol>

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		<p>what is first and foremost when we gather—</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4. -come at a certain time</li> <li>5. -sit</li> <li>6. -open with a pray that may not be prayed in the Name of Jesus</li> <li>7. -sing songs that may speak of what Jesus has done, but again, the song may not mention His Name</li> <li>8. -hear a sermon that may cover important concepts, but may not directly reference Jesus.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Then He opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and He said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and rise again from the dead the third day; and that repentance for forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Jesus is the One Who is the Exact Representation of God, Our Father.</li> <li>3. He is the One Who Loved and Loves Perfectly.</li> <li>4. He is the One Who, without sin, took on all sin to defeat it for us, and rose from death so that He could offer us redemption and forgiveness.</li> <li>5. He is the One Who gave us Commands and Instructions on how to Love and live.</li> <li>6. He is the One Who is giving us the Great Good News of a new, redeemed life <i>in</i> Him, and the offer of an eternal paradise <i>with</i> Him.</li> </ol>
5	1	Man at the Front	Matthew 23:10	Jesus leads us (Jesus at the Front)
5	2	<p>Man at the Front</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Often, in the IC, there is someone at the front.</li> <li>2. Usually, it is a man.</li> <li>3. This can unintentionally create dependence.</li> <li>4. We can passively expect the Man at the Front to do the reading, studying, learning, correcting, and deciding.</li> </ol>	<p><i>(Jesus speaking:)</i>  <i>"And do not be called leaders; for One is your Leader, that is, Christ."</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the ACT, we "Let Jesus Lead Us."</li> <li>2. We do not call each other 'leaders,' but 'facilitators.'</li> <li>3. In the ACT, we also share the facilitation, so no one person becomes seen as the Man at the Front.</li> <li>4. In the ACT, we invite all voices to be equally heard, as each of us individually and we as a group seek to live under the Headship of Jesus.</li> <li>5. We look to Jesus to lead us.</li> </ol> <p>((A true story: a man whose goal was to be the leader of the group, not clearly letting Jesus be the Leader.))</p>
6	1	Teachers Teaching	Matthew 23:8; John 16:13	Holy Spirit will teach us
6	2	<p>Teachers Teaching</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Often, in the IC, there are those who read, study, and prepare in order to teach us, to tell us what is in the Word, to tell us how to think about what is in the Word.</li> <li>2. There is a place for this; the Word of God does reference (speak of) teachers.</li> <li>3. However, this can be one person trying to get others to see his or her way.</li> </ol>	<p><i>(Jesus speaking:)</i>  <i>"But do not be called Rabbi; for One is your Teacher, and you are all brothers."</i></p> <p>(Rabbi means teacher)</p> <p><i>(Jesus speaking:)</i></p>	<p>Holy Spirit will teach us</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Although there are (many) Scriptures about teaching and being teachers, we are careful to remember that it is the Holy Spirit Who is Our Ultimate Teacher.</li> <li>2. This is why, in the ACT, when we read a passage, we use R+R (see R+R: Reflect and Reveal), during which we invite the Holy Spirit to teach us about the</li> </ol>

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		4. This can also, like Man at the Front, lead to dependence and passivity where the many of us are not studying for ourselves, or listening, individually, to the Holy Spirit.	<i>“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth;...”</i>	<p>passage, to guide us into all Truth.</p> <p>((A true story: participating in an 8-session teaching about Nehemiah was one man’s view, with which I did not agree. The man seemed to miss the best of this story, but there was no opportunity to offer a differing view.))</p>
7	1	Bible Study	James 1:23-24	Bible Encounter
7	2	Bible Study	James 1:23-24	Bible Encounter
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The Bible can be studied as one might study history, literature, authors—studying it can become academic.</li> <li>2. Although there can be a place for this, it can lead to a sterile, objective, analytical or intellectual exercise.</li> <li>3. We can come to know the Scriptures extremely well, but not necessarily allow the Holy Spirit to use the Word to transform us lives.</li> </ol>	<p><i>For if any one is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his natural face in a mirror; for once he has looked at himself and gone away, he has immediately forgotten what kind of person he was.</i></p> <p>((I call this the James Mirror.))</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the ACT, we seek to Encounter the Word—using (it as a) the Word of God as what I call the “James Mirror.”</li> <li>2. We look at the Word in a way to let it tell us about ourselves.</li> <li>3. We use the Word to ascertain Practices and to assess how well we are doing those Practices.</li> <li>4. If we see a Shortfall, we confess it, one to another, and then pray for God to transform us \. ((—)S\see S.T.A.R.T.) .</li> </ol> <p>((A true story: in many situations we may read about repentance and yet, never do it.))</p>
8	1	Secondary Sources	2 Timothy 3:16	Primary Source
8	2	Secondary Sources	2 Timothy 3:16	Primary Source
		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. It is not unusual for a study group to use a book other than the Bible, which I refer to as a “Secondary Source.”</li> <li>2. A Secondary Source is similar to ‘Man at the Front’ and ‘Teachers Teaching,’ in that another person is telling us what to think.</li> <li>3. This can create dependency and passivity.</li> <li>4. A Secondary Source can also have little to do with the teachings of the Bible.</li> </ol>	<p><i>(Paul writing:) All Scripture is God-breathed and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness.</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In the ACT we use the 66 Books of the Bible as the Primary Source, and so, we do not use Secondary Sources.</li> <li>2. There are study helps that we may use, like Halley’s Bible Handbook, but this contains research and information on a passage, and does not generally give opinions on the meaning.</li> <li>3. A Secondary Source can have error, and so we must be watching for where it may be wrong; using the Bible we can (, much more importantly,) focus, more importantly, on ( be watching for) where we may be\are wrong.</li> </ol>

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				((A true story: a men’s group that used books that seem to have little to do with the teachings in the Word—such as the stages of a man, or studying our personal ancestry.))
9	1	Discussion: Competition of Opinion	Titus 3: 9	R+R: Reflect and Reveal
9	2	Discussion: Competition of Opinion  1. Discussions can become competitions in opinion—“I think....,” “Well, I think...” 2. We can share our thoughts trying to get others to think the way we do, trying to convince them so that we have a victory in\over\of ideas. 3. This may not allow each person to find his or her own understanding of the passage as revealed to them by the Holy Spirit. 4. This can lead to contention, division, hurt, confusion, rejection and walls.	Titus 3: 9  <i>But shun...disputes about the Law; for they are unprofitable and worthless.</i>	R+R: Reflect and Reveal  1. In the ACT, we use “R+R,” which stands for “Reflect and Reveal.” 2. We read a passage, allow time for the Holy Spirit, in “Holy Spirit Time,” to Teach us, and then we share, as we are comfortable, about what has come (forward to us) to each person’s heart and mind. 3. We allow each person to share insights, respecting them, not trying to change them, affect them or make them see things our way. 4. This is also an opportunity to reveal a Shortfall (see S.T.A.R.T.).  ((A true story: we did an “Encounter” about a topic. One man completely disagreed, we let him; six months later he saw the truth of the passage.))
10	1	Environment of Information	Romans 12:2	Environment of Transformation
10	2	Environment of Information  1. In my experience the IC often presents information on what it means to be a Believer in and (\) Follower of Jesus. 2. There can be value in this. 3. However, what I have found, after listening for 10, 15, 50 or more minutes to a sermon, message or homily, is that I can walk away with, perhaps, a concept or two that often fades by the time I drive away. 4. Information is important—however an “Environment of Information” may not be the best way to consume the Word of God.	(Paul writing:) <i>And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.</i>	Environment of Transformation  1. In the ACT we seek to create an Environment of Transformation. 2. We aim towards this by using S.T.A.R.T. (to be described shortly), which intentionally facilitates the personal application of the Word of God, and by using the R+ R. 3. As we read above, the R+R is a way of encountering the Bible that helps to keep the experience personal. 4. The result can be a community of Believers in and (\) Followers of Jesus who are focused on how well we are obeying the Word of God, not on how well others may or may not be in obedience.

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		5. It can be like going to a banquet buffet with many beautiful dishes of well-prepared food, but only taking away the menu.		5. This environment can foster humility as we each remain diligent about our own shortfalls, understanding that we are dependent on God to change us, and so, hopefully, we are more patient with others as they, too, face the ongoing challenges of being transformed to God's Best. 6. We encourage consuming the Word, not just visiting the Banquet.
11	1	Speck Detection	Matthew 7:3-5	Beam is seen
11	2	Speck Detection  1. In the fellowships of the IC, I have experienced a focus on how other denominations are inferior. 2. I have observed assessing of the failings of other groups of people. 3. I have observed an environment of camaraderie that is based on common interests or activities, but that offers little in the way of personal vulnerability. 4. These Paradigms can lead to Speck Detection in others, which can keep us from addressing the Beams in us that may be making it difficult for us to see things with full understanding.	Matthew 7:3-5  <i>(Jesus speaking:)</i> <i>“And why do you look at the speck in your brother’s eye, but do not notice the log that is in your own eye?”</i>  <i>“Or how can you say to your brother, ‘Let me take the speck out of your eye,’ and behold, the log is in your own eye?”</i>  <i>“You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly enough to take the speck out of your brother’s eye.”</i>	Beam is seen  1. In the ACT, as we seek to create an Environment of Transformation, we hope to be mutually examining our own eyes for the Beams that could obscure our vision. 2. Much of what we do in the ACT is geared towards self-assessment as Followers of Jesus. 3. Are we doing what Jesus says to do? 4. Are we obeying the Word of God? 5. Are we repenting when we need to? 6. Are we being transformed to God's Best? 7. Are we seeing the things of God clearly, as He would have us see them?
12	1	Talk to be transformed	James 5:16	S.T.A.R.T. to be transformed
12	2	Talk to be transformed  1. It seems there is an overall consensus in the IC that we are to be transformed. 2. Transformation seems to be osmotic in the IC, over time, as one is exposed to the Word of God, as one continues in fellowship, and as one talks about the things of God. 3. Transformation, however it occurs, is of great value. 4. But it seems there could be a more intentional approach to transformation.	James 5:16  <i>Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed.</i>	S.T.A.R.T. to be transformed  1. In the ACT, we use S.T.A.R.T. to heighten our focus on our transformations. 2. There is a training page on S.T.A.R.T. that provides Scriptures and goes into greater detail. 3. In S.T.A.R.T. we: a. S = Study Jesus b. T = Translate what we read to Practices c. A = Assess our Adherence to the Word

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				<p>d. R = Repent of our Shortfalls</p> <p>e. T= Pray for God to transform us.</p>
13	1	Readings at Random	Hebrews 1:1-3	Gospel Time
13	2	<p>Readings at Random</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any reading of the Bible is good, important, and to be encouraged.</li> <li>However, I have observed overall approaches to reading the Bible that can seem random.</li> <li>Some read the entire Bible through in a year, which works for some, but others report to be overwhelmed, and not fully understanding what they're reading.</li> <li>Some follow an app or study guide that may be topical or based on one book of the Bible, which, again, works for some, but it seems others become dependent on an author for their guidance.</li> <li>Others read devotionals that reference passages; again, this works for some, but others may not go to the passages themselves and, so, they never truly encounter the Word of God directly and on their own.</li> <li>It also seems that these approaches, and others, can vary widely from one fellowship to another.</li> <li>And so, it all seems somewhat random as an approach to the Word of God, and to a study that will result in following Jesus.</li> </ol>	<p>Hebrews 1:1-3/Col 2:3</p> <p><i>God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways, in these last days has spoken to us in His Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the world. And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power....</i></p> <p><i>(... Christ Himself,...) in Whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.</i></p>	<p>Gospel Time</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jesus was with God in the beginning, before time, came into the middle of time, and will come again, at the end of time.</li> <li>Jesus is the Exact Representation of God—a Man Who is God and Who (is) completely and fully represents the Father of Creation, Who is ( and) the Perfect God of Heaven.</li> <li>And so, we, in the ACT, go first, in the Bible, to Jesus, by going to the Gospels—Matthew, Mark, Luke and John—the biographies of Jesus, to study Jesus, to see what He did, said and said to do.</li> <li>These biographies were written by those who were close to Jesus—Matthew and John are writers who were with Jesus; Mark wrote from his fellowship with Peter, also an Apostle; and Luke interviewed witnesses.</li> <li>We do not neglect the rest of the Bible (see Radiate Out), but we begin here, with Gospel Time, reading one chapter of the Gospels a day to daily visit with Jesus.</li> <li>See the “Gospel Reading Schedule” for the daily chapter we, as a community, are reading, and so, join with us as we visit Jesus in this way.</li> <li>Gospel Time is also an easy, direct and replicable way that we can use to quickly put a new believer on the rewarding discipleship path of following Jesus.</li> </ol>
14	1	Figure it out	Luke 24:27	Radiate Out
14	2	<p>Figure it out</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the IC I have observed that the reading and studying of the Word of God can be random</li> </ol>	<p>Luke 24:27\John 5:39</p> <p><i>And beginning with Moses and with all the prophets, He (Jesus) explained to</i></p>	<p>Radiate Out</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In Colossians 2:3 we read that in Jesus is all wisdom and knowledge.</li> </ol>

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		<p>and is often disconnected from the Person of Jesus.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the IC I have studied, and listened to studies, about an Old Testament person or a New Testament teaching as a stand-alone, trying to understand it, trying to figure out what it means for how I live.</li> <li>Often there is no reference to Jesus, (or) Who I now (could be) considered to be the Key to understanding all Scriptures.</li> </ol>	<p><i>them the things concerning Himself in all the Scriptures.</i></p> <p><i>(Jesus speaking:)</i>  <i>“You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that bear witness of Me; ...”</i></p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jesus was with God before the beginning, everything was made through Him, He came into the middle of time to die for us, and He will come again at the end of time to finish the Work of God.</li> <li>Jesus is Central to the Plan of God, and so, i\In the ACT, we let Jesus be the Key Who unlocks all understanding of all of Scripture; we let Jesus lead us (explain them to us) in our\this understanding.</li> <li>In ACT, we let the footnotes that are in most Gospels, or (the) biographies \, of, Jesus carry us out to Old Testament and New Testament Books.</li> <li>We consider all the Books of the Bible from the “Jesus View; \,” w\We let (the footnotes ) Jesus “Radiate Out” into the rest of the Bible.</li> <li>When we have greater familiarity with the Books of the Bible, we then may do a focused study on one of the Books, but this is now done with Jesus as the foundation of our understanding.</li> </ol>
15	1	Lord’s Prayer used by rote	Matthew 6:7-13	Lord’s Prayer Morning and Night
15	2	<p>Lord’s Prayer used by rote</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>“Rote” can mean ‘unthinking repetition.’ (m-w dict.)</li> <li>In my experience in the IC, the Lord’s Prayer is often used by rote, a mechanical repeating that may or may not carry the true significance of what Jesus gave to us.</li> <li>(In definitions of) “R\rote,” (this) can also mean (be) ‘using memory but not intelligence.’</li> <li>We may have been (can be) inadvertently trained to (use) pray the Lord’s Prayer in the way that Jesus said not to pray (do) in Matthew 6:7, “...do not use meaningless repetition...”</li> </ol>	<p><i>7 “And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words.</i></p> <p><i>8 So do not be like them; for your Father knows what you need before you ask Him.</i></p> <p><i>9 “Pray, then, in this way:</i>  <i>‘Our Father</i>  <i>who is in heaven,</i>  <i>Hallowed be Your name.</i></p>	<p>Lord’s Prayer Morning and Night</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the ACT, we seek to be trained to most\more fully understand the concepts (of prayer) that Jesus gave us in the Lord’s Prayer.</li> <li>We use the Lord’s Prayer, with additional Scripture references, as a Format for our meetings.</li> <li>We can use this expanded (the) version of the Lord’s Prayer as a guide in our Father Time.</li> <li>We recommend the use of this prayer in the morning immediately after waking and (in ) at night just before going to bed.</li> <li>These Practices can help us pray in the simple and yet very profound way that (as) that Jesus gave to (taught) us.</li> </ol>



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			<p>10 <i>'Your kingdom come.</i></p> <p><i>Your will be done,</i> <i>On earth as it is in heaven.</i></p> <p>11 <i>'Give us this</i> <i>day [fn]our daily bread.</i></p> <p>12 <i>'And forgive us our</i> <i>debts, as we also have</i> <i>forgiven our debtors.</i></p> <p>13 <i>'And do not lead us into</i> <i>temptation,</i></p> <p><i>but deliver us rom [fn]evil.</i></p> <p><i>[fn][For Yours is the</i> <i>kingdom and the power</i> <i>and the glory forever.</i></p> <p><i>Amen. ']</i></p>	
16	1	Quiet Time		Father Time
16	2	Quiet Time		Father Time
17	1	Requests unclear		Requests of 10 words or less
17	2	Requests unclear		Requests of 10 words or less
18	1	Food and fellowship		Fitness Fellowship
18	2	Food and fellowship		Fitness Fellowship
19	1	Lord's Prayer as part of a F\format	Matthew 6:7; 9-13	Lord's Prayer as Format
19	2	<p>Lord's Prayer as part of a F\format</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the IC, during the Sunday service there is almost always a format, a routine in the schedule, and it can often include the Lord's Prayer.</li> <li>In Bible studies \, there is usually a routine—prayer, presentation, discussion, and prayer, for example, that may also include the Lord's Prayer.</li> <li>In many fellowships it is a common practice to recite the Lord's Prayer.</li> <li>This practice of reciting the prayer can become a routine that does not fully engage our attention; our minds can wander, \. to the roast in the oven, a golf course, a later plan.</li> </ol>	<p>(Jesus speaking:)</p> <p><i>"And when you are praying, do not use meaningless repetition, as the Gentiles do, for they suppose that they will be heard for their many words.</i></p> <p><i>"Pray, then, in this way:</i> <i>Our Father who art in heaven,</i> <i>Hallowed be Thy name.</i> <i>Thy kingdom come.</i> <i>Thy will be done,</i> <i>On earth as it is in heaven.</i> <i>Give us this day our daily bread.</i> <i>And forgive us our debts,</i> <i>as we also have forgiven our debtors.</i></p>	<p>Lord's Prayer as Format</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the ACT, we see the importance of a format—a frame to the meeting that is consistently in place, which guides our time.</li> <li>A frame to a meeting can help the participants prepare because they know what to expect.</li> <li>We intentionally use the Lord's Prayer in an expanded version as our Format, because Jesus was and is a Genius—the prayer covers very important aspects of our walk (with) as we follow Him.</li> <li>Each phrase of the prayer can be a guide for us.</li> <li>We also use the Lord's Prayer as a frame to counter the pervasive tendency to recite the prayer, moving our experience of the prayer to a more profound level.</li> </ol>

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			<i>And do not lead us into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.</i>	6. The ACT also offers Modules on each component of the prayer to further enhance our understanding of the very important topics that Jesus gave to us when He gave us this prayer.
20	1	Facilitation by man at the front		Facilitation is shared
20	2	Facilitation by man at the front		Facilitation is shared
21	1	Homework		Home with
21	2	Homework		Home with
22	1	Discipleship Lack	Matthew 28:19-20	Discipleship Path
22	2	Discipleship Lack (Unmapped\Unclear\Not)  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ It is notable how often fellowships do not seem to have a clear discipleship pathway.</li> <li>○ Often, they only encourage attending the Sunday service. \,</li> <li>○ This can mean one hour a week of exposure to God’s Word and Truths, and the content is often (in a way that is often) random.</li> <li>○ Members might be encouraged to read\ing through the Bible in a year. \,</li> <li>○ This is commendable and does have value, but is not uncommon to hear that people can’t always\also make sense of all they are reading.</li> <li>○ Members may (also) be encouraged to attend\ing a Bible study group.</li> <li>○ This, too, can be valuable and transformative, but not always.</li> </ul>	Matthew 28:19-20  <i>(Jesus speaking:) “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.</i>	Discipleship Path  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ All Needs Met has established a Discipleship Pathway.</li> <li>○ To become a physician, (it seems) there is a clear, (progressive) curriculum that p\Progressively builds knowledge, skills, and ability.</li> <li>○ We believe the\y same can be done\ said for our spiritual development.</li> <li>○ All Needs Met has\We have a curriculum, based on what Jesus directed, to progressively build an Ideal Disciple.</li> </ul>
23	1	Come to my building		Come to the Man
23	2	Come to my building		Come to the Man
24	1	To each his own		All Needs Met
24	2	To each his own		All Needs Met  1. Commonship
25	1	Secular scheme		Response Team
25	2	Secular scheme		Response Team
26	1			
30	1	Requests by man at the front		Requests by each on own
30	1	Error confronted		Error discovered
30	1	Facility-focus		Community focus
30	1	Ages separated		Ages together
30	1	Control	Acts 2:46	Consensus

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30	1	Reading the Word	Matthew 7:24-27	Doing the Word
30	1	Formless	1 Corinthians 14:33	Format
30	1	Routine First and Foremost	Matt 6:19-21\2 Peter 3:18	Jesus First and Foremost
30	1	Music as (can be) Performance		Music as (is) Praise
30	1	Denominational Divide	1 Corinthians 12:12	One Body
30	1	Political Hush Money	John 19:11	Political Truths
30	1	Practices that are Public	Matthew 6	Practices that are Private
30	1	Study the Bible	John 5:39	Study Jesus
30	1	Information	Romans 12:2/James 5:16	Transformation
30	1	Worship is the music		Worship is the heart
30	2	Requests by man at the front		Requests by each on own
30	2	Error confronted		Error discovered  1. If someone says somethings that seems off or untrue, we let My Story bring a different view. 2.
30	2	Facility-focus		Community focus
30	2	Ages separated		Ages together
30	2	Control	Acts 2:46  <i>(Luke writes:) And day by day continuing with one mind in the temple...</i>	Consensus
30	2	Reading the Word	Matthew 7:24-27  <i>(Jesus speaking:) “Therefore every one who hears these words of Mine, and acts upon them, may be compared to a wise man, who built his house upon the rock. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded upon the rock.  “And every one who hears these words of Mind, and does not act upon them, will be like a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand. And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house; and it fell, and great was its fall.”</i>	Doing the Word

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30	2	Formless <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In the beginning the earth was formless [Genesis 1:2\1]...and God brought order.</li> <li>○</li> </ul>	1 Corinthians 14:33  <i>(P\paul writing:)</i> <i>...for God is not a God of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.</i>	Format <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In All Needs Met we have found that it is helpful to have a clear Format.</li> <li>○ This brings consistency.</li> <li>○ It is a frame for our time together.</li> <li>○ Perhaps, we could try a meeting that is fully dependent on rightly discerning the directions of the Holy Spirit.</li> <li>○</li> </ul>
30	2	Routine First and Foremost  12-10-22 to Gospel Laxity  1. <i>It has been my experience in the IC that, often, the routine is what is first and foremost when we gather—</i> 2. <i>-come at a certain time</i> 3. <i>-sit</i> 4. <i>-open with a pray that may not be prayed in the Name of Jesus</i> 5. <i>-sing songs that may speak of what Jesus has done, but again, the song may not mention His Name</i> 6. <i>-hear a sermon that may cover important concepts, but may not directly reference Jesus.</i> 7. <i>In these routines that guide our times together, what is the focus of our hearts?</i>	Matt 6:19-21\2 Peter 3:18  <i>(Jesus speaking:)</i> <i>“Do not lay up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys, and where thieves do not break in or steal; for where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.”</i>  <i>(Peter writing:)</i> <i>...but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ</i>	Jesus First and Foremost  12-10-22 to Gospel Clarity  1. <i>In the ACT, we seek to keep Jesus First and Foremost.</i> 2. <i>He is the One Who is the Exact Representation of God, Our Father.</i> 3. <i>He is the One Who Loved and Loves Perfectly.</i> 4. <i>He is the One who lived Perfectly.</i> 5. <i>He is the One Who, without sin, took on all sin to defeat it for us.</i> 6. <i>He is the One Who gave us Commands and Instructions on how to Love and live.</i> 7. <i>He is the One we are to Follow.</i> 8. <i>And so, Jesus is the One we seek to keep First and Foremost in our times together, and First and Foremost in our hearts.</i>
30	2	Music as (can be) Performance		Music as (is) Praise
30	2	Denominational Divide	1 Corinthians 12:12  <i>For even as the body is one and yet has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ.</i>	One Body  You-knit-y
30	2	Political Hush Money <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Unfortunately, the government of the USA has manipulated the IC (church) by threatening a loss of tax exemption if there is</li> </ul>	John 19:11  <i>Jesus answered, “You would have no authority over Me, unless it had been given you from above; ...</i>	Political Truths <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ It seems political authority comes from above.</li> <li>○ In the USA, that authority has been given to the people.</li> <li>○</li> </ul>

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		<p>an overstepping about what is talked about from the pulpit.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The result has been many believers who do not know what is true within the political realm.</li> <li>○ The topics cannot even be discussed with the IC walls.</li> </ul>		
30	2	<p>Practices that are Public</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The emphasis in the IC can be attending the Sunday and weekday service, volunteering, attending Bible studies.</li> <li>○ These are public ways of (participating in ) pursuing our faith, but may not help us attend the transformation God wants for us.</li> </ul>	<p>Matthew 6</p> <p><i>1 (—) practicing your righteousness 2-4 give alms in secret 5-6 pray in private 16-18 f\Fast unseen</i></p>	<p>Practices that are Private</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The 12 core Practices are generally private, about our relationship with Our Father.</li> <li>○ If the relationship with Our Father is strong, all relationships will be strengthened.</li> </ul>
30	2	<p>Study the Bible</p> <p>History</p>	<p>John 5:39</p> <p><i>(Jesus speaking:) “You search the Scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is these that bear witness of Me; ...</i></p>	<p>Study Jesus</p>
30	2	<p>Information</p> <p>Philosophy—Love of knowledge Greek Philo = Love Sophia = knowledge</p>	<p>Romans 12:2/James 5:16</p> <p><i>And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, ....</i></p> <p><i>Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed...</i></p>	<p>Transformation</p> <p>START</p>
30	2	<p>Worship is the music</p>		<p>Worship is the heart</p> <p>1. Simpler music if at all</p>