

This was a standard instrument I used with congregations in the 20 teens. It might be my form, but is taken from the ideas of The Missional Network of that era. [c] Howard W. Whitaker, D.Min.

Maintenance of the Church	Engagement in the Mission of God
Inwardly focused	Outwardly focused
Keep up the church	Find Jesus
Scarcity – Protecting what God has given us	Abundance – Sharing what God has given us
Buildings, program, business, rules	People. We act out our love and identity.
Take Communion	Live in communion
Membership	Discipleship
What are we going to do?	What is God going to do? ...or may already be doing
What are we going to do ?	Who are we?
Transactional We do this and maybe people will “join the church”	Relational We do this because this is what God’s people do
Service projects that meet needs	Mutually transformative relationships
About The Church	About God
Vestry are in charge of parish business	Vestry are spiritual leaders of the parish
Meetings are about deciding, declaring Running an organization	Meetings are about discerning, listening How to be the incarnation of the Risen Christ
Fraternal or service organization that prays	Praying community that supports each other and gives to the community
Religious convenience store	Incarnational community
Past	Present
Entitlement	Grace
Private religious club, approved guests	Open doors, open table, open hearts
You are not like us, but we will tolerate you because we are supposed to.	We are like you. You are family. Welcome to the table.
<i>Noblesse oblige</i> – we are responsible for taking care of the less fortunate.	We minister to others because we see in them the Christ, and we belong each to the other.