

## From Believers to Disciples

# **CLASS #104: OPPORTUNITIES**

# **Faro Church Discipleship**

**Teacher's and Student's Copy** 

## Welcome!

At Faro Church, we believe you are deeply loved by God and invaluable to His Kingdom. During the previous three sessions—**Foundations, Anchors, and Relationships**, answered the call to grow and connect. Now we arrive at the fourth and final session of Discipleship: **Opportunities**.

This class weaves everything together and challenges you to take the decisive step: *actively* join ministry life, applying your unique D.E.S.I.G.N. to serve God, His Church, and our community.

By the end of today you will:

- **1-** Enjoy a concise review of the key principles from the first three classes.
- 2- Meet the primary ministries of Faro Church and their leaders.
- **3-** Leave with concrete next steps to join the team that best fits your profile.

**Excitement Alert:** We can't wait to see how God will set your heart ablaze for His mission!

Let's Begin!

— Pastor Steve Pinto

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#### **PART 1: REMEMBER**

"9 Keep putting into practice all you learned and received from... Then the God of peace will be with you." (Philippians 4:9 | NLT)

We begin with a panoramic review of the highlights from the previous three classes, tilling the soil for your transition into *active service*.

#### 1. FOUNDATIONS IN PERSPECTIVE

**Core Theme:** Identity, vision, mission, and doctrine of Faro Church.

Vision	"To be a church who <b>engages</b> culture, <b>encounters</b> God, <b>equips</b> believers, and <b>empowers</b> ministry."	Habakkuk 2:2
Values	Belong   Worship   Serve   Excellence   Grow   Healthy Relationships   Evangelism   Prayer   Missions	Matthew 5–7
Faith	Salvation   Discipleship   Gifts   Stewardship   Evangelism	Ephesians 2:8-10

<sup>&</sup>quot;19 So now you Gentiles are no longer strangers and foreigners. You are citizens along with all of God's holy people. You are members of God's family." (Ephesians 2:19 | NLT)

#### Going Deeper:

- Our Vision is not a slogan; it's a trajectory that shapes every sermon, budget line, and outreach.
- *Our Values* form the *culture code*—the invisible script that guides how we worship, plan events, and handle conflict.
- *The Faith Steps* remind us that grace initiates, but participation matures. We are a *sending* church, not merely a *seating* church.

**Key Question:** Do I *understand* and *celebrate* being part of my church's vision and values?

#### 2. ANCHORS IN PERSPECTIVE

Core Theme: Devotional life, financial faithfulness, and congregational commitment.

Daily Devotion	Becoming "simply devoted"	Psalm 1:2
Community & C4	Core → Congregation → Community → Cosmos	Acts 1:8
Generosity	Tithes & joyful offerings	Malachi 3:10

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"4Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me. <sup>5</sup> "Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them,

will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." (John 15:4-5 | NLT)

#### Going Deeper:

- *Daily Devotion* is the rhythm that keeps the heart synchronized with heaven. Five minutes of Scripture and prayer is better than fifty intentions.
- **C4** clarifies our relational reach: Core (our heart), Congregation (regular attenders), Community (Lake Forest and surrounding cities), Cosmos (the nations).
- Generosity is worship in numeric form—shaping our budget reveals what shapes our hearts.

Key Question: How will I strengthen my daily habits and generosity to stay anchored to God?

#### 3. RELATIONSHIPS IN PERSPECTIVE

**Core Theme:** D.E.S.I.G.N., discovery of gifts, and every-member ministry.

Desires	God-given passions		
Experiences	Stories He redeems		
<b>S</b> piritual Gifts	Supernatural capacities		
Individual Style	Unique personality		
<b>G</b> rowth Phase	Maturity + availability		
Natural Abilities	Natural skills		

" $^7A$  spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other." (1 Corinthians 12:7  $\mid$  NLT)

#### Going Deeper:

- Your Desires hint at assignment—what bothers you often signals what you're called to solve.
- Your painful Experiences become God's recycling plant; nothing is wasted when surrendered.
- *Spiritual Gifts* are not medals to admire but tools to employ.

Key Question: Have I identified my D.E.S.I.G.N. and am I ready to activate it?

#### **PART 2: RESPOND**

#### 1. THE SERVANT'S HEART

" $^{45}$ For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many." (Mark 10:45 | NLT)

#### Christian service flows from a heart that:

- **1- Loves God** (*Matthew 22:37*)
- **2- Loves people** (*Matthew 22*:39)
- 3- Obeys the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20)

#### Signs of a Servant Heart

- Moves with compassion (Matthew 9:36).
- Enjoys anonymity when needed (Colossians 3:23).
- Celebrates others' success (Romans 12:15)
- Perseveres despite cost (Galatians 6:9).

#### **Deep Dive:**

Servanthood is not a *department*; it's our *DNA*. We wash feet before we make plans.

#### 2. MINISTRY OVERVIEW - "We Do Church as a Team"

Below are six pillars of ministry at Faro Church. Leaders will be available after class to chat and answer questions.

#### WORSHIP

Scope: Music | Vocals | Production | Multimedia | Photography | Social Media

Guiding Verse: Psalm 33:3 – "Play skillfully and shout for joy."

**Profile Desired:** Worshipful heart, artistic talent, commitment to rehearsals, willingness to grow in excellence.

#### **FAMILY MINISTRIES**

**Ministries:** Faro Kids | Faro Youth | Faro YA (Young Adults) | Faro Damas | Faro Hombres | Golden Age

Guiding Verse: 2 Timothy 2:2 – "What you have heard... entrust to faithful people."

**Profile:** Love for the next generation, patience, background-check clearance, teachable spirit.

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#### COMPASSION AND OUTREACH

Includes: Spiritual Guidance | Food Home & Hospital Visits | Benevolence

Guiding Verse: Matthew 25:35 – "I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."

**Profile:** Empathy, flexibility, eagerness to share Christ in word and deed.

#### HOSPITALITY AND CONNECT

**Roles:** Welcome Team | Setup Team | Parking | Hospitality | New Believer Follow-up | Special Events

Guiding Verse: Romans 12:13 - "Practice hospitality."

**Profile:** Servants Heart, warm smile, eye for detail, stamina for busy services and special events.

#### SUPPORT AND ADMINISTRATION

Areas: Office | Accounting | Data | Maintenance | Security | Logistics

**Guiding Verse:** 1 Corinthians 14:40 – "Everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way."

**Profile:** Structured, trustworthy, technical | admin ability, behind-the-scenes mindset.

#### **INTERCESSION & MISSIONS**

Services: Prayer Team | Intercession | Mission Trips and Partnerships

**Guiding Verse:** Acts 3:2-3 – "After fasting and praying, they laid hands on them and sent them off."

**Profile:** Spiritual sensitivity, discipline, global vision, ability to lead or support prayer initiatives.

#### **PART 3: EXTEND**

#### 1. COMMITMENT AND NEXT STEPS

"10 May your Kingdom come soon. May your will be done on earth, as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:10 | NLT)

- **1- Pray** Ask the Holy Spirit where He needs you.
- 2- Converse After class, visit at least two ministry leaders.
- 3- Serve Jump in and serve in the ministry you feel God's is calling you.

" $^{22}$ But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves." (James 1:22 | NLT)

#### 2. FINAL BLESSING AND COMMISSION

"<sup>6</sup> And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue his work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns." (Philippians 1:6 | NLT)

Today we conclude FARO Discipleship, but your ministry adventure is just beginning. Imagine hundreds of believers activated, deploying their D.E.S.I.G.N. to reflect Jesus in Lake Forest and to the ends of the earth.

#### **Closing Prayer**

"Lord, here I am. Shape me, fill me, and send me. Make me an instrument of Your love and power. Amen."

#### Challenge

Over the following days, pray and choose a ministry. *Take the step, share your life, and be part of what God will do through Faro Church!* 

"Arise, shine; for your light has come, And the glory of the Lord has risen upon you." (Isaiah 60:1 | NASB)

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