

Who am I
and
why am I here?

Why does Two Rivers Bible Church exist?

Gonzales desperately needs to be reached for Christ and it needs a church **just like this** to do it.

Seeking God

Sharing Life

Serving Others

1 Peter 4:1-11

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The lost become saved

**Therefore, since Christ
has suffered in the flesh,**

(v. 1a)



**arm yourselves also
with the same purpose,
because he who has
suffered in the flesh
has ceased from sin,
so as to live the rest
of the time in the flesh
no longer for the lusts of men,
but for the will of God.**

(v. 1b-2)

**For the time already past
is sufficient for you to have
carried out the desire of the Gentiles,
having pursued a course of sensuality,
lusts, drunkenness, carousing,
drinking parties and abominable
idolatries. In all this, they are
surprised that you do not run with
them into the same excesses of
dissipation, and they malign you;**

(v. 3-4)

**but they will give account
to Him who is ready to judge
the living and the dead.**

**For the gospel has for this purpose been
preached even to those who are dead,
that though they are judged in the flesh
as men, they may live in the spirit
according to the will of God.**

**The end of all things is near; therefore,
be of sound judgment and sober spirit
for the purpose of prayer.**

(v. 5-7)

**The God who made the world... made
from one man every nation of humankind
to live on all the face of the earth...
that they would seek God,
if perhaps they might grope for Him
and find Him, though He is not far
from each one of us; for in Him we live
and move and exist...”**

(Acts 17:27)

**Pray for God's will:
the salvation of sinners &
the sanctification of saints**

Sharing Life



The saved become mature

Above all, keep fervent in your **love for one another, because love covers a multitude of sins.**

Be **hospitable to one another without complaint.**

(v. 8-9)





**A growing church
will always have
growing pains.**

**Love & Hospitality will keep
you united as you work hard
to see God's vision for TRBC
come alive.**

Serving Others



The church impacts
its community

**As each one
has received
a special gift,
employ it in serving one another
as good stewards
of the manifold grace of God.**

(v. 10)

Whoever **speaks,**
is to do so as one who is
speaking the utterances of God;

whoever **serves**
is to do so as one who is
serving by the strength
which God supplies;

(v. 11a)

**What is it costing you
to be here?**



**so that in all things
God may be glorified
through Jesus Christ,
to whom belongs the glory
and dominion forever and ever.
Amen.**

(v. 11b)

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