

# IDEALS

## OUTLINE

### I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Superiority of humans vs. natural kingdom
- B. Define an Ideal

### II. EXAMPLES OF IDEALS

### III. THE NECESSITY OF IDEALS IN LIFE

- A. Ideals give meaning to life
- B. Ideals shape one's character

### IV. THE INFLUENCE OF IDEALS ON LIFE

- A. Ideals form life with purpose and meaning
- B. Ideals give people enthusiasm for work
- C. Ideals make you rise above yourself

### V. THE QUALITIES OF AN AUTHENTIC IDEAL

- A. Challenging
- B. Attainable

### VI. - HOW IDEALS ARE ATTAINED

- A. Focused effort
- B. Mature reasoning
- C. Changing goals

### VII. HOW DO YOU RECOGNIZE YOUR IDEALS?

- A. Use of Time
- B. Use of Talents
- C. Use of Treasures
- D. Focus of Thoughts

### VIII. CONCLUSION

- You each have Ideals! What are they?
- To learn the answer to that question, ask yourself: How do you use your time; how do you use your talents; how do you use your treasures and on what do you focus your thoughts?

# GRACE

## I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Define Grace
- B. Grace is a gift (salvation)
- C. Our response (faith)

## II. THE NATURE OF GRACE

- A. Flows from the nature of God
- B. Grace is free
- C. Grace is unmerited

## III. GOD'S ACTION OF GRACE

- A. The Father acts
- B. The Son acts
- C. The Holy Spirit acts

## IV. CONCLUSION

- God's grace invites a response

# THE CHURCH

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - A. The condition of the world
  - B. The mission of the church
  - C. The focus of this rollo will be on the role of the laity
  
- II. WHO IS THE CHURCH?
  - A. The Body of Christ
  - B. Laity and clergy in partnership
  
- III. WHAT IS THE ROLE OF THE LAITY?
  - A. The call - to serve God
  - B. The command - to go into the world
  - C. The commitment - to be active in the world for Jesus' sake
  - D. The community - to support each other in grace
  
- IV. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH?
  - A. To be an instrument (tool) of God's grace
  - B. To continue the works of Jesus
  
- V. CONCLUSION

We are the church — the mission is clear

# THE HOLY SPIRIT

## I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Who is the Holy Spirit?
- B. What is the work (Divine Aid) of the Holy Spirit?
- C. What are the gifts of the Holy Spirit?

## II. WHAT IS THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE CHRISTIAN?

- A. Binds us to Christ
- B. Transforms the life of the believer
- C. Fills and empowers the believer

## III. WHAT IS THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE CHURCH?

- A. Calls the church into existence
- B. Indwells the church
- C. Leads the church to unity
- D. Empowers the church in witness
- E. Guides the church in mission

## IV. WHAT IS THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE WORLD?

## V. CONCLUSION

# PIETY

## OUTLINE

### I. INTRODUCTION

- A. Piety as an experience of grace
- B. Piety as a process of growth
- C. False ideas of piety

### II. WHAT PIETY IS

- A. Definition: The direction of one's whole life to God
- B. Pattern of the Christian life

### III. THE CHARACTERISTICS OF PIETY

- A. Christ-likeness (Fruit of the Spirit)
- B. Gratitude
- C. Freedom
- D. Maturity

### IV. HOW IS PIETY STRENGTHENED?

- Through Bible study, prayer, worship, fellowship, and Communion

### V. CONCLUSION

- A. Piety is an ideal
- B. Relate to earlier Rollos of Ideals, Grace, The Church, and the Holy Spirit

# STUDY

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - Definition of Study: Study is bringing the whole self to the task of learning.
- II. WHY STUDY?
  - A. To know God
  - B. To learn if we have misconceptions
  - C. To know ourselves
  - D. To know God's purpose for our lives
  - E. To learn how to handle life's problems
- III. WHAT DOES IT TAKE TO STUDY?
  - A. Overcoming obstacles - laziness, busyness and pride
  - B. Developing good habits, including prayer
    - Desire
    - Discipline
    - Determination
  - C. Resources:
    - The Bible
    - Other written, spoken or visual
- IV. WHAT ARE THE RESULTS OF STUDY?
  - A. Faith is strengthened
  - B. Actions are God-directed
  - C. It is a means to holiness/piety
  - D. It assures us of God's purpose for our life
- V. CONCLUSION
  - A. Piety is reinforced by study.
  - B. Study without Piety may become merely an intellectual exercise.

(The second leg of the Christian life tripod should be inserted at the beginning, during or at the end of the rollo.)

# **SACRED MOMENTS OF GRACE**

- I. Introduction
- II. God's grace revealed in New Life
- III. God's grace revealed in the empowerment of the Holy Spirit
- IV. God's grace revealed in Forgiveness and Reconciliation
- V. God's grace revealed in Healing
- VI. God's grace revealed in Marriage
- VII. God's grace revealed in the Call to Ministry
- VIII. God's grace revealed in Communion
- IX. Conclusion:  
Sacred Moments of Grace are God's Gifts

# ACTION

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - A. Definition
  - B. Connected to Piety and Study
- II. WHY IS THERE A NEED FOR ACTION?
  - A. To know Christ
  - B. To make Christ known
- III. WHAT IS THE GOAL OF ACTION?
  - A. Ministry and service
  - B. Evangelism
    - Make a friend
    - Be a friend
    - Bring your friend to Christ
- IV. WHAT ARE THE CHARACTERISTICS OF ACTION?
  - A. Authentic and God inspired
  - B. Planned and balanced
  - C. Loving, caring, and respectful of others
  - D. Persevering
- V. WHAT FORM DOES ACTION TAKE?
  - A. How?
    - Individually
    - In informal groups
    - In organized bodies
  - B. Where?
    - In the church
    - In the world
- VI. CONCLUSION
  - A. Action is inspired by Piety
  - B. Action is directed by Study
  - C. Action is the natural consequence of a lively faith

*(The Rollista is encouraged to leave the candidates with this thought: Make a friend, Be a friend, Bring your friend to Christ)*



# **OBSTACLES TO GRACE**

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

- A. Define sin
- B. Define obstacle
- C. Obstacles not from God

## **II. DISTORTED IDEAS**

- A. About God
- B. About self

## **III. SPECIFIC OBSTACLES**

- A. Satan/evil
- B. World
- C. Self/flesh

## **IV. HOW DO WE OVERCOME THE OBSTACLES?**

- A. Full armor of God
- B. Die to self
- C. Obedience to God
- D. Crucified with Christ
- E. Put on Christ
- F. Fellowship with other believers

## **V. CONCLUSION**

- A. Jesus overcame all obstacles.
- B. In Jesus we overcome our obstacles.

# LEADERS

## OUTLINE

### I. INTRODUCTION

- Define Leaders: Leaders are those who with their person and conduct influence the thinking and actions of others

### II. WHO IS A CHRISTIAN LEADER?

- A. One who accepts God's Call
- B. One who leads by serving

### III. QUALITIES OF A CHRISTIAN LEADER

- A. To know the ideal — the Ideal is Jesus
- B. Servanthood (humility)
- C. Initiative
- D. Generosity
- E. Excellence
- F. Faith
- G. Hope
- H. Love

### IV. CONCLUSION

- We are all called to be leaders for Christ

# ENVIRONMENTS

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - A. What are my environments?
  - B. Understanding our environments
  
- II. PREPARATION FOR CHANGING OUR ENVIRONMENTS
  - A. Preparing ourselves
  - B. Seeking God's will through:
    - Prayer
    - Bible Study
    - Christian Fellowship — holding one another accountable
  - C. Preparing a plan of action
  
- III. TRANSFORMING OUR ENVIRONMENTS FOR CHRIST
  - A. By example
  - B. Meeting others where they are
  - C. Accepting leadership
  - D. Through patience, prayer, and perseverance
  
- IV. CONCLUSION
  - A. Our environments are comprised of groups/individuals in our lives
    - B. Making Christ known in our environments

# **LIFE IN GRACE**

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

- A. Define the Life in Grace
- B. Beyond the weekend

## **II. HOW DO WE LIVE IT?**

- A. Begin where we are
- B. Our natural communities
- C. Our local church
- D. Integration of study and experience
- E. Prayer and meditation

## **III. HOW IS LIFE IN GRACE MAINTAINED?**

- A. Finding Peace in Christ
- B. Finding Purpose in Christ
- C. Finding Power in Christ

## **IV. CONCLUSION**

# CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY IN ACTION

## OUTLINE

### I. INTRODUCTION

- A. The Christian community nurtures its members
- B. The Christian community trains and equips its members
- C. The Christian community provides spiritual nourishment for itself

### II. WHO IS THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY?

- A. Definition
- B. Many communities in the one Body of Christ
- C. Church based communities
- D. Other Christian communities

### III. WHAT IS THE CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY CALLED TO DO?

- A. Identify God's mission for the ministry
- B. Be committed to that mission
- C. Work together in a spirit of love
- D. Decide where and when to act

### IV. HOW IS THE MISSION ACCOMPLISHED?

- A. Through the Body of Christ in action
- B. By taking stands on issues
- C. By dealing with disagreements openly, honestly, and with Christian love

### V. CONCLUSION

The Christian Community, with Christ as its Head, is always greater than the sum of its parts.

# REUNION GROUPS

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - A. Brief summary of Rollos
  - B. Definition
  
- II. THE PURPOSE OF REUNION GROUPS
  - A. Explore and grow in piety, study, and action
  - B. Share in one another's joys and burdens
  - C. Encourage and exhort one another
  
- III. ELEMENTS OF A SUCCESSFUL REUNION GROUP
  - A. Regular time and place
  - B. Safe place to share
  - C. Quality Christian content
  
- IV. TYPES OF REUNION GROUPS
  
- V. THE SECUELA
  
- VI. CONCLUSION
  - Be in a reunion group!!!

# LIVING THE FOURTH DAY

## OUTLINE

- I. INTRODUCTION
  - A. Define Fourth Day
  - B. Your mission and responsibility
- II. WHAT TO SHARE REGARDING YOUR TRES DIAS WEEKEND
- III. PERSONAL WITNESS
  - A. How have you grown in your relationship with Christ?
  - B. How have you grown in your relationship with others?
- IV. ENCOURAGEMENT
  - A. Involvement in your local church
  - B. Stay connected in the Christian Community
  - C. Join or form a Reunion Group
- V. CONCLUSION
  - Persevere