FINDING FRIENDS & A CHURCH

**Four P’s: Passions, Proximity, Purpose, & Personality**

**Practical Tips For Finding Friends**

* Intentional
* Initiate
* Incarnate

**The Big Why: God’s Dream**

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**Practical Tips For Finding A Church**

* Use your relational networks for recommendations.
* Start your exploration online. Investigate vision, mission, value statements on the website.
* Listen to sermons online before visiting.
* Visit more than once before making a decision.
* When you visit, introduce yourself, don’t wait to be found.
* Limit your search to approximately 3-4 months. Eventually you’ll need to decide. Choose to commit and get involved.

**Practical Tips For Getting Involved**

* Join a small group or bible study. Even if it feels awkward for a while.
* Invest where you are planted by giving financially to the church.
* Get to know others by finding a way to serve.
* If there is a process for membership take the first step. This is usually an introduction course or class that teaches about the church’s vision and values.
* Meet with the pastor or staff member. Bring questions you have about the church.
* Don’t compare a church to previous church experiences. Instead give thanks for the good you see.
* Invite a friend.