

## Wildwood Baptist Church

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### ***“A New Process: Maturing”***

*Mark 9: 33-34, 35*

**Maturity** is measured by how well we put others first.

*Mark 10: 42-45*

**Greatness** is measured by servanthood.

*John 15: 13*

Jesus gives us the perfect example for **preferring** others.

*Philippians 2: 5-8*

Jesus said as members of His church we must seek to be last as a **servant** of all.

Our battles in church should be over who is going to **serve** others the best.

The Inwardly Focused Church:

1. Members want the same kind of church service that they **grew** up with.
2. Members have an attitude of **entitlement**.
3. Members are **apathetic** about evangelism and outreach.

*Matthew 28: 19-20*

We need to **learn** to exist not for our own benefit but for the benefit of others.

“All Things New” Covenant #1: I will be a productive and purposeful member of the body of Christ by serving God and others at Wildwood.

“All Things New” Covenant #2: I will do all I can to promote and ensure unity for the sake of the gospel through love and I will not be a source or a listener of gossip.

“All Things New” Covenant #3: I will not let my support and involvement in church be about my preferences and desires. Christ set the example when He died for me so I will live to glorify His name by caring more for others than I do for myself.