

# Embracing God's Purpose for the Church



*"Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness. Keep watch on yourself, lest you too be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ."*

Galatians 6:1-2

## "Embracing God's Purpose for the Local Church"

Acts 20:17-38

**Critical Concept:** God's purpose for the local church is for the spiritual protection and guidance of the believer through the humble spiritual oversight of the pastor shepherd.

### I. Remember the Purpose of Your Salvation

A. *"I have come that you may have life!"*

B. *"Therefore, go and make disciples"*

### II. Paul's Ministry to the Saints

### III. A Glimpse Into God's Purpose for the Church

**What is God Saying to Me?** (Personal Application)