

## **Mission**

(Matthew 28) Making Disciples of Jesus Christ for the Transformation of the World  
(Current Mission Statement of the UMC)

## **Vision of Royse City Methodist Church - (2017)**

Be God's  
You Belong Here  
Worshipping Together  
Serving with Heart  
Growing in Faith

## **Values from our Discernment Team Taskforce**

Christ as foundation  
Love  
Unity  
Acceptance

### **Scripture Referenced as we discerned our Values**

#### **Ephesians 4: 14-24**

Growing, not babies anymore  
the ones attending church need to be strong in belief and know why we believe what we believe.  
Know the issues - be aware of deceit  
Grow in Christ because he is the head  
Build up in love everything needs to be done in love  
Constantly be renewed by the spirit  
We are new beings in Christ  
A Church that loves God, loves each other  
Aren't captive to fads increasing in discretion to help church not fall into shortcuts.

**Philippians 1: 27, 2:2**

one spirit one purpose  
stand firm on the word of God  
love one another regardless of the outcome  
Identity is a child of God  
we get caught up in the debate that we lose our identity

One common purpose - while we may have different personal opinions our mission should be consistent

**Ephesians 2: 19-22**

Once you are here you are not a stranger anymore  
Still built on the foundations of everything Christ taught us  
a unifying group  
but staying focused on why we are here and what we are doing.

Built on Christ's foundation  
Lasting foundation

**Luke 11:10, -**

all means all  
Keeping the main thing the main thing

**Romans 8:1 - no commendation**

No condemnation in those who are in Christ Jesus  
Everyone must give an account to God

**Galatians 3:28 - inclusivity****1 Corinthians 1:23-24, Ephesians 4:1-6, Romans 8:28**

Those who were called according to his purpose  
You are here to worship God not because it's the cool place to be  
Drawn by God's light

**Galatians 3:28 -**

one in Christ Jesus  
God widening his scope because he wants a relationship with humanity

**Romans 13:13 -**

I never had a doubt that I belong here and I want everyone to know they belong here.  
God wants a relationship with us but it might be different now than then.

**James 4:11 -**

We have way to much hatred in the world right now  
We should strive to live together

**1 Corinthians 12: 12- 27 -**

We are all important members of the church and God loves us all  
it takes variety to make a whole  
Care for one another  
the fact that God chose us should be the unifying factor