

## DREAM TEAM HONOR CODE

When you become part of the Dream Team, you gain a greater level of influence and the opportunity to impact others. You are a part of something bigger than yourself. You represent not only Church of the King, but more importantly, you represent Jesus. Others will see you as a role model. They will want to hear your story of how Jesus changed your life and they'll be watching you live out that story.

*Decide to live in such a way that you will not cause another believer to stumble and fall.*

Romans 14:13

*For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love.*

Galatians 5:13

*...I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.*

Ephesians 4:1

The way we live our lives impacts whether or not the people watching us want to have a relationship with Jesus. It's not about perfection, but it is about our heart. We want to be an example of what it looks like to choose God's best for our lives. As a leader in the church family, it is important to demonstrate biblical standards in speech and action to those around you by refraining from such things as:

- Abusing alcohol, drugs, or any substance that compromises your mind or body
- Harmful gambling habits or other addictive behaviors
- Abusive language or gossip
- Inappropriately using church relationships for personal or professional gain
- Pornography or any sexual activity outside of a biblically defined marriage
- Behaviors that may cause Christ to grieve and others to stumble

In leading by example, we continue to grow in biblical character and integrity which encourages others to do the same in their own lives. This way of life expresses our love and honor for God, as well as our love for people. We should regard our commitment to this biblical way of life as a privilege and honor in partnering with God to make a difference with our lives.

If you struggle with any of the points above or want to understand more about them, we want to connect with you. We want to help you grow, heal, overcome, and experience God's absolute best for your life. No struggle is too big or too small. Let's join together as you continue to discover and fulfill your purpose in *Reaching People and Building Lives*.

## **Biblical References for the Dream Team Honor Code**

- **Abusing alcohol, drugs, or any substance that compromises your mind or body**  
*So be careful how you live. Don't live like fools, but like those who are wise. Make the most of every opportunity in these evil days. Don't act thoughtlessly, but understand what the Lord wants you to do. Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit. Ephesians 5:15-18 NLT*

- **Harmful gambling habits or other addictive behaviors**  
*But people who long to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many foolish and harmful desires that plunge them into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is the root of all kinds of evil. And some people, craving money, have wandered from the true faith and pierced themselves with many sorrows. 1 Timothy 6:9-10 NLT*

*For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. 1 John 2:16 NIV*

- **Abusive language or gossip**  
*Don't use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. Ephesians 4:29 NLT*

*The words of the reckless pierce like swords, but the tongue of the wise brings healing. Proverbs 12:18 NIV*

- **Inappropriately using church relationships for personal or professional gain**  
*People with integrity walk safely, but those who follow crooked paths will be exposed. Proverbs 10:9 NLT*

*...remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.' Acts 20:35 NIV*

- **Pornography or any sexual activity outside of a biblically defined marriage**  
*But 'God made them male and female' from the beginning of creation. This explains why a man leaves his father and mother and is joined to his wife, and the two are united into one. Mark 10:6-9 NLT*

*Run from sexual sin! No other sin so clearly affects the body as this one does. For sexual immorality is a sin against your own body. Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body. 1 Corinthians 6:18-20 NLT*

*Don't you realize that those who do wrong will not inherit the Kingdom of God? Don't fool yourselves. Those who indulge in sexual sin, or who worship idols, or commit adultery, or are male prostitutes, or practice homosexuality, or are thieves, or greedy people, or drunkards, or are abusive, or cheat people—none of these will inherit the Kingdom of God. Some of you were once like that. But you were cleansed; you were made holy; you were made right with God by calling on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 NLT*

- **Behaviors that may cause Christ to grieve and others to stumble**  
*And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, He has identified you as His own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption. Get rid of all bitterness, rage, anger, harsh words, and slander, as well as all types of evil behavior. Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you. Ephesians 4:30-32 NLT*

*When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God. Galatians 5:19-21 NLT*

## **The Good News!**

- **Growing, healing, overcoming, and experiencing God's best for your life**  
*For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him. John 3:16-17 NIV*

*The temptations in your life are no different from what others experience. And God is faithful. He will not allow the temptation to be more than you can stand. When you are tempted, He will show you a way out so that you can endure. 1 Corinthians 10:13 NLT*

*...you are strong, and the Word of God lives in you, and you have overcome the evil one. 1 John 2:14 NIV*

*I have told you all this so that you may have peace in Me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world. John 16:33 NLT*