

# Keys to Creating Superb Sunday Services

## Lesson 5: Four things to say every Sunday

Welcome to Lesson 5 of Creating Superb Sunday Services. I want to tell you about four things that you should say every Sunday.

Now I read this recently on a blog, shared it on social media and I cannot remember who wrote it. It's not mine originally but it's so good I want to share it with you in this roadmap.

Now when I say four things you should say every Sunday, I think there's a couple you could use every Sunday but in smaller churches it might sound a little bit repetitive to do the four things every Sunday. I'll explain as I go. I think in medium and large churches, you can go full on with these four things.

### 1. Our church exists to

This is primarily connecting what you're doing with your vision, your mission, your assignment and your values as a church.

Now you can say it in different ways, you can tell a story of someone coming to Christ and being baptised - that's why we do what we do. You can celebrate a volunteer and say we are here to serve the Lord, that's why our church exists. You can highlight a key value of hey this member helped out another member with some meals this week, our church exists to love one another.

You can keep heating up values every single Sunday. I think every pastor and leader should do this publicly. Our church exists is a great line.

### 2. Thank you

Thank your volunteers, publicly and privately. Some people prefer it private but kind of go with it. Thank people after the service, before the service, during the service. Keep gratitude high.

Thank your online givers, people who give electronically. They never put anything in the bucket because they do it all via the net. For those who gave electronically today, thank them.

Thank people for attending especially on difficult weather days. Thank you for coming to church anyway, but when it was really seriously hot or a cold wet winters day, I would thank people for making the choice to come to church rather than stay in the comfort of their home.

### 3. If you're new here

I like this and this especially will work well in a medium to large church. For a small church you can work it out. Drop your first time visitor language. Rather than say if you're a first time visitor go with if you're new here which includes first, second, third and fourth time visitors.

So if someone has come for the third time in two months, they're still new around the place. They're not a first time visitor but it includes people who are new to the church and then you can give them some direction. If you're new here don't forget to connect with us in the foyer afterwards. If you're new here don't forget to look at our connect groups.

I like that language better than first time visitor language. Try it!

### 4. Your next step is

What's the next step you want to take? So this can be for people if you're new here the next step we want you to take is to get into a small group or is to start serving in the life of the church.

For the general congregation your next step is, and think about what you're preaching. What do you want the people to do on Monday after you've preached? What's the next step? Your next step is. So you can kind of aim it for new people but also for your general members.

Your next step is.

The checklist. It's very simple this checklist.

Pastors, I want you to say these four things this Sunday. I want you to use all four and get into the habit of using them regularly.

I think they're brilliant.

God bless you. I'll see you in Lesson 6.