



February 9, 2020 | Part 2: Why is the Church So Important?

Hebrews 10:21-25; Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 5:21-33

Pastor David Platt made the following statement:

“What if we take away the cool music and the cushioned chairs, what if the screens are all gone, and the stage is no longer decorated? Would His Word still be enough for His people to come together?”

And, I might add, ‘and worship in His church?’ Let’s look together at what the Bible says about worshipping together in this organism called the Church.

1. The reason we _____. **Hebrews 10:21-23** . . . and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.
 - a. We worship because of our _____
_____.
 - b. We worship because we are _____ to draw near
to _____.
 - c. We worship because God _____ to us through
_____.

2. The _____ to worship. **Hebrews 10:24-25** ²⁴ And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, ²⁵ not giving

up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

- a. We are to be a part of what _____ is doing through _____.
- b. We are called to _____ one another to _____ and good works.
- c. We are not to miss _____ with other _____.

3. The _____ of worship. **Acts 2:41-47** Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day. ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Ephesians 5:21-33

- Church connects us with _____.
- Church _____ us socially.
- Church _____ us to _____ God's presence.
- Church helps us _____ with others.
- Church fills our _____ with _____.
- Church gives us an earthly _____ of _____.

The One Thing:

Jesus Christ _____ the Church, is the _____ of _____ the Church, and is coming back for the Church; therefore, it is _____ that we strive to be involved in what's at the very heart of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit . . . _____ !