

WHAT'S THE POINT OF CHURCH?



Serving

Introduction

The Church. What's the point and who really needs to be a part of it? Why should we belong to something so archaic and so narrow? The culture around us seems to ask this question relentlessly, but what is the answer? From God's original intent for His church, to the ways in which He uses us today, and the reasons why people attend and leave the church, this series emphasizes the importance of the church.

Pray

Don't forget that if anything significant happens, it's because God moved. Start by asking God to bless this time.

Practice Truth

1. If you haven't already done so, begin by reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-31.
2. It's fun to consider what part of the body of Christ you would be. Which part are you? Why?
3. Compare and contrast putting dishes away as a guest verses a family member. Within the church would others describe you as a guest or a family member?
4. What has been your best serving experience? What made it the best? How did it impact others? How did it make you feel?
5. Are there times when you stand on the sidelines and wait for others to serve? Why do you think you do that?

Leader's Tip

If you have someone with some potential, let them try leading. Give a bit of coaching beforehand and encourage them to give it a shot.

Do Life Together

How might God be nudging you to serve someone today (in our outside church)? Where could you start serving this week? Where do you see a need? Sometimes the best way to

discover where you best fit is to serve your way to discovery! Check out some options are EncounterChurch.org/serve