

THE CHURCH IS DEVOTED TO GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

BIG TRUTH: THE CHURCH IS DEVOTED TO GATHERING FOR WORSHIP

Acts 2:1; 20:7; 1 Corinthians 5:4

BIBLE VERSE: HEBREWS 10:24-25

“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

BIG IDEAS

- We gather with awe and wonder in God’s presence.
- We gather under God’s Word.
- We gather to worship through baptism and the Lord’s Supper.

BIBLE PASSAGE: ACTS 2:42-47; COLOSSIANS 3:15-17

UNITE - I AM PART OF A FAMILY

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- The church is a family.
- The church is given by God.
- The church exists for God.



Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the unique ways God has gifted them and their church.
- Appreciation for the elders and leaders that God has gifted their church.



Every student should strive to...

- Prioritize gathering to worship each week with their church family.
- Learn more about membership in their local church.
- Do something to intentionally serve someone in their church family each week



Every student should want...

- To devote themselves to pursue holiness with their church family.
- To have their lives be marked by love for the church.
- To live in a way that is sacrificial and generous for the good of others and the glory of God

STUDENT WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder why the church gathers together. We will pray for hearts that desire to gather and we will practice participating in the gathering of the body of Christ.

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Read and meditate on Acts 2:42-47 this week.

As you meditate on these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you devote yourself to the Word of God? How can you gather with the church in awe of God's presence?

Consider what it means to gather under God's Word. How can you study God's Word in your personal life in order to prepare yourself for a corporate gathering? How can you worship with fellow believers during baptisms and the Lord's Supper?



Spend time praying each day this week.

- As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit to help you prepare your heart for worship each week.
- Pray with your parents this week. As you pray, ask the Holy Spirit for a heart that seeks to participate in the gathering of believers in a way that worships God.



Think through some of the distractions that you face during corporate worship each week.

- How can you work to remove those distractions? Make a list of a few and commit to remove those distractions this week so you have a heart ready to worship God.
- Discuss with your small group leader ways you can help worship with other believers. Brainstorm ways you can gather with other believers to study God's Word together.