**You Are Church**

Sunday PM HS Class

Intro: The misconception about church.

* + Many believe that the church is the church building in which we go to worship.
    - Phrases we hear:
      * Where do you go to church?
      * Let’s get ready and go to church.
      * Etc.
        + This is incorrect thinking
* The Church Defined:
  + *Ekklesia* – an assembly; called out ones; or a gathering of people.
    - Church = body of believers
      * Those who were called out of darkness (1 Pet. 2:9)
  + Rom. 16:5 - Likewise *greet* the church that is in their house.
    - Where are they to greet the church? (Not the house, those in the house = believers)
  + The Church is the body of saved people
    - Eph. 5:23
      * Circle “church” & “body” and connect them.
    - Acts 20:28 – The church (people of God) that shepherds are to oversee and that Christ purchased with His blood.
      * Many members but 1 body – Rom. 12:4; 1 Cor. 12:12
      * Living stones built into a spiritual house – 1 Pet. 2:5
* The Church intended from the beginning
  + Eph. 3:10-11
    - Underline “church” & “eternal purpose” and connect them.
* Head of the Church: (Christ - Eph. 1:22-23)
* When did the church begin? (Acts 2 – when people are answering the call of Christ, and becoming Christians)
* The Work of the Church (The people who make up the Body of Christ)
  + **Evangelize** 
    - Luke 19:10; Matt. 20:28; Matt. 28:18-20; 2 Tim. 2:2; Rom. 1:14-16; 1 Cor. 9:16)
  + **Edify Members** 
    - Build up those who are members of the church ([1 Thess. 4:18](https://ref.ly/1%20Thess.%204.18;esv?t=biblia); [5:11](https://ref.ly/1%20Thess%205.11;esv?t=biblia)).  There are those who are weak ([Rom. 15:1](https://ref.ly/Rom.%2015.1;esv?t=biblia)), struggling ([1 Thess. 5:14](https://ref.ly/1%20Thess.%205.14;esv?t=biblia)), in leadership ([1 Thess. 5:12-13](https://ref.ly/1%20Thess.%205.12-13;esv?t=biblia)), dealing with loss ([Jas. 1:27](https://ref.ly/James.%201.27;esv?t=biblia)), young ([Tit. 2:1-8](https://ref.ly/Titus.%202.1-8;esv?t=biblia)), young in the faith ([1 Pet. 2:2-3](https://ref.ly/1%20Pet.%202.2-3;esv?t=biblia)), etc
  + **Benevolent** 
    - The church has a responsibility to “remember the poor” ([Gal. 2:10](https://ref.ly/Gal.%202.10;esv?t=biblia)) and to “do good to all” (6:10), God gives attention “especially to those who are of the household of faith” (6:10) and to widows and orphans ([Jas. 1:27](https://ref.ly/James.%201.27;esv?t=biblia)).

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  + The Church is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. (Eph. 5:23)
* The Church \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
  + Eph. 3:10-11
* Head of the Church: (Eph. 1:22-23) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* When did the church begin?
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