

The Church
Connect The Dots – Part 4
Ephesians 1:22-23

• **I Am The Church.**

"...made full and complete by Christ..." Ephesians 1:23 (p.895)

Our Belief Statement – The Church: We believe that The Church is the Body of Christ, of which Jesus Christ is the head. The members are those who have trusted by faith in the finished work of Christ.

1. Submit to God's Authority.

We submit to God's authority by:

- a. Living by the Holy Spirit
- b. Living by the truth of the Bible
- c. Living a life of continual surrender

"...I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you..." Romans 12:1 (p.866)

2. Live as part of the body of Christ.

We live as part of the body of Christ by: Giving; Serving; Connecting; Influencing

"And the church is his body..." Ephesians 1:23 (p.895)

"All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer." Acts 2:42 (p.832)

"And all the believers met together in one place..." Acts 2:44 (p.832)

"They worshiped together..." Acts 2:46 (p.832)

"all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved." Acts 2:47 (p.832)

My Next Step This Week: I will submit to God's authority and live as part of the body of Christ. I will live as the body by _____.

Series Memory Verse: *"Jesus said to the people who believed in him, 'You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'" John 8:31-32 (p.817)*