

WHY DO WE DO CHURCH?
PART II
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INTRODUCTION

- Maybe we should ask why do we do church?
- Why are over two billion people around the world going to church every week?
- Why would you say you go to church? What are the benefits?
- What do you get from church that you can't get anywhere else?
- Romans 12:5 NLT, "Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others."

I. WHAT DOES CHURCH ADD TO YOUR LIFE?

- Five things that church adds to your life that you can't get anywhere else:
 - 1st - Spiritual support, we call this fellowship.
 - 2nd - Your church family is here to help you through the trials of life. We are here to teach you the Word, this is discipleship.
 - 3rd - You need the supernatural touch of God in your life, the wonder of God. You need worship, everyone needs worship.
 - 4th - You need church to use your spiritual gifts, Holy Spirit given gifts for the body of Christ. Your spiritual gifts can only be developed in your church family.
 - 5th - Your church family helps you fulfill your destiny, your call in life.

II. WE NEED EACH OTHER

- My biggest takeaway from the lockdown was I need people.

- Healthy relationships, real community, and genuine fellowship, bring out the best in you.
- You cannot become all God wants you to become alone.
- Complete independence isn't happiness, it is loneliness.
- Genesis 2:18, "...it is not good for man to be alone..."
- God says you need a spiritual family. Romans 12:5
- A Christian without a church family is a spiritual orphan.

III. WHAT DO I NEED FROM OTHERS?

- 1st - Life is a journey and I need others to walk with me.
 - The bible says your church family is crucial to your health and encouragement.
 - Hebrews 10:25a, "Let us not give up the habit of meeting together... instead, let us encourage one another."
 - Community is God's answer to loneliness.
 - So much of church life cannot be done alone. That is why small groups are crucial.
- 2nd - To serve with you...to work with you.
 - Serving others is part of the journey for all of us, love God and love people.
- 3rd - You need others to watch out for you.
 - Phil. 2:4 "Look out for one another's interests not just your own."
 - We all have blind spots where we need others to help us
 - Who has got your back? Who is looking out for you?
- 4th - You need others to weep with you, to be there for you.
 - Your small group is your family in crisis. 1 Corinthians 12:26, "If one member suffers, all suffer together..."

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- This takes commitment and being intentional.
- Getting into a place where people can know you.
- You need others and they need you.