

Session 1: We Gather

Session 2: We Get Discipled and Disciple Others

Session 3: We Serve and Steward

Session 4: We Pray and Proclaim

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Laying the Groundwork: What is Christian Growth?

Those ___ Christ become ___ Christ (Rom 8:28-29)

- Growth comes from abiding in Christ (John 15:4-5)
- Growth is for the glory of God (John 15:8)
- Growth is a normal sign of life in a Christian (John 15:2)
- Growth happens in community (Eph 2:19-21)

Main Idea: *We grow as we gather to worship God and love one another*

1. Why gather?

a. We have been saved into one body in Christ (Eph 2:11-16)

- i. What should our life in this body look like? (Col 3:12-17)
 - 1. Humility, meekness, patience
 - 2. Bearing with one another, forgiving one another
 - 3. Love
 - 4. Letting the word of Christ dwell in us richly
 - 5. Teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom

b. It shows God to be glorious and worthy of worship

- i. The church reflects the character of God
 1. His _____ (John 13:34-35)
 2. His _____ (1 Pet 1:14-16)
 3. His _____ (1 Cor 1:10-13)

2. What should we aim for in our gatherings?

a. Vertical

b. Horizontal

3. Getting practical

a. How do these two priorities affect our gatherings?

i. Weekly Worship Service

1. Where you sit
2. Singing
3. Praying
4. Offering
5. Hearing the Word
6. After service

ii. Member's Meetings, Monthly Prayer Meeting

iii. Others (church picnic, church camp, fellowship meals etc.)

REFLECTION QUESTIONS:

- How can I be intentional about gathering with God's people, as a church?
- In what ways can I live out my role as part of the local church?