

ALWAYS OPEN

Week 1: Not A Building

Key Scripture

¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household, ²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. ²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. ²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.

Main Takeaway

We are the Redeemed People of God! Where we go the church goes. Where we are the church is! This Identity and Purpose speaks into our everyday life!

Start Talking:

Ephesians 2:19-22

- Who are your ancestors; from where did they emigrate?
- Are you a traveler or a homebody?

Start Praying:

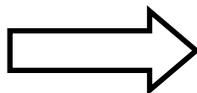
Dear Lord, today we ask that you remind us that we are the Redeemed people of God. Where we go the church goes. We ask that this truth would give us identity and purpose in each moment and each activity we find ourselves in. Thanks for purchasing us with your blood and making us your spotless bride! Amen.

Start Studying:

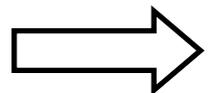
- Go around the room and take turns reading together our key Scripture lesson. What jumps out at you from the reading?
- Read Acts 20:28, Eph 2:13 and Eph 5:27: To make us the Redeemed people of God meant a specific action. What was it and why is that so important for us to remember?
- Read Romans 12:4-8: What is a main image for Christ's Church? What does this image teach us about our life together?
- Read 1 Cor 12:12-13, 22-26: As we continue to focus on this main image for Christ's church, what does this section remind us to pay specific attention to?

Start Applying:

- What is God trying to teach you through this weeks theme?
- If we are the redeemed people of God and wherever we go the church is, how does that impact your outlook on each day?
- Knowing God uniquely made you, have you found your spot within His church (maybe this life group is a great place to start)?
- A special focus is on those in need, hurting, or feel dispensable, how can you or your life group encourage someone like this at this time?



Fill out Biblical Equipping



Finish in Prayer: Dear Father in Heaven:

I thank you for this time spent together in your word. Help us to be reminded that you are with us as we go about our daily lives and that we reflect the love of Jesus in our interactions. Be with us during our time apart. In your name we pray. Amen!

NOTES

BIBLICAL EQUIPPING

The Bible passage I will focus on is:

The part of this passage that caught my attention is:

I will apply this passage to my life by:

Before next meeting, the impact God had on me through this verse was: