

Bible Study

Wednesday, January 15, 2025

1st Peter 4:9

Colossians 3:13

Hebrews 10:24

James 5:16

1st Thessalonians 4:18

WHY CHURCH?

Based on the book by Dean Inserra

Ever since **COVID**, too many Christians have gotten out of the habit of attending church and Bible Study. In this new series, "Church – What is It All About?" We will look at why does the church matter?

WHY Do We "Do" Church?

Church membership identifies us with a specific spiritual family where we carry out the Bible's command to live our Christian lives with one another. The following categories give us a framework for how we should interact with one another.

I. <u>Affirm</u>

1. To use our gifts and abilities for ministry.	Romans 12:3-8
To receive and welcome one another.	Romans 15:7
3. To have concern for each other.	1 st Corinthians 12:25
4. To be kind and compassionate towards one another.	Ephesians 4:32
5. To have love for one another.	1 st Thessalonians 3:12

II. <u>Share</u>

- 1. To carry one another's burden.Galatians 6:22. To encourage one another.1st Thessalonians 5:11
- 3. To be hospitable to one another.

III. <u>Serve</u>

- 1. To forgive one another.
- 2. To comfort one another.
- 3. To stir up love and good works to one another.
- 4. To pray for one another.

Brothers and Sisters, the Christian life was never meant to be spent in isolation. God never intended for us to be lone rangers! Therefore, we must depend on the Lord first and then depend on one another. Our faith may be <u>personal</u> – but it is not meant to be <u>private</u>!