

THE CHURCH TOGETHER

“The Church Meeting Together”

Matthew 16:15-18; Hebrews 10:24-25

Matthew 16:15-16, "Jesus said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter replied, 'You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.'"

(vs. 18) – “And I tell you, you are Peter and on this rock I will build my church and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

The Greek word for church is ***ekklesia***. “ones called out”

Deuteronomy 4:10, "how on the day that you stood before The Lord your God at Horeb, The Lord said to me, 'Gather the people to me, that I may let them hear my words..."

Acts 7:38, "This [Moses] is the one who was in the congregation in the wilderness with the angel who spoke to him at Mount Sinai..."

Universal Church – “The Body of Christ extended throughout time as well as space consisting of all persons everywhere who have been placed in vital union with Jesus Christ through the ministry of the Holy Spirit” – Timothy George

"The church is the body of people called by God's grace through faith in Christ to glorify Him together by serving Him in His world." - Mark Dever

Hebrews 10:24-25, "And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near."

The Church Meeting Together:

I. Emphasis is on what the believer can contribute to the church

- Motivate one another to love and good works

II. Attendance is expected not applauded

III. God designed us to need and encourage each other

Share:

A. Your Experiences

B. Your Struggles

C. Your Joy

IV. Elevated importance with the approaching of the Second Coming

