

God's Answers to Life Changing Questions

What Does God Want of Me? Phil. 2:9-15

Does the Local Church Even Matter? Acts 9:26-28

How Does God Call us Today? 2 Thess. 2:13-15

How Does the Spirit Assure Us? Romans 8

Why Did God Choose Baptism? Matt. 28:18-20

How Can I Face Death Courageously? 2 Cor. 5:1-10

Why Did Jesus Come? John 6:38



John 8:30-32

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Does the Local Church Even Matter?

- Yes, God created the local church!
- “church” — 110+ times in NT
- Vast majority of those are about the local congregation (Rom. 16:16)



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Does the Local Church Even Matter?

- Yes, because God is fulfilling our need for...
 - Close spiritual family (Paul) — *belonging*
 - Spiritual leadership (Titus 1:5-16) — *instruction & persuasion*
 - Consistent participation (Eph. 4:11-16) — *exercise*
- Choose a congregation wisely (1 Tim. 3:15; Titus 1:5-16)



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Does the Local Church Even Matter?

- Yes! God is teaching us in that relationship!
 - Commitment (Eph. 4:11-16)
 - Responsibility and Functionality (1 Cor. 12:15-25)
 - Accountability (Matt. 18:15-18)
 - Devotion (1 Tim. 5:1-2)
- All have needs — all are needed!
 - Phil. 2:1-5



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