

Notes

Seeking God Study Series



Study Eight The Church

The Church

The Body of Christ

Acts 2:41-47

- At baptism they were added to the number (the church).
- Devoted: experiencing worship, friendship & life change together.

Ephesians 1:22-23

- The church is the body of Christ. The body needs the head.
- The church is essential to Christianity.

Ephesians 2:19-22

- The church is God's household – we are family.
- Cornerstone: Christ; Foundation: Apostles and Prophets (God's word).

Ephesians 4:3-6

- Keep unity in these essentials: one body, one Spirit, one Lord etc.
- One Baptism: the way into the one body (Romans 6:3-4, 1 Cor. 12:12-13).

1 Corinthians 1:10-13

- God is not pleased with divisions among Christians.
- Following people and traditions, rather than the Bible, causes divisions.

1 Corinthians 12:14-27

- Some feel they don't belong. We do belong and are needed (14-20).
- Others feel they don't have a need. We all need the church (21-27).

1 Corinthians 16:1-2

- We are called to contribute financially to the work of God.
- God blesses cheerful & generous giving (2 Cor. 9:6-8).

Hebrews 10:23-25

- Don't get in the habit of missing. Come to all the meetings of the body.
- This helps us to be unswerving in our commitment.

Before Next Time

Read Hebrews 3:12-13.

Write what this says about the value of encouragement.