



The Church is Unique

Why Church? – Part 2

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Q. Do I fit in church?

3 Ways the Church is Unique:

I. Unique Leadership – _____

- All creation can give glory to God:

Psalms 119:1 *The heavens are telling of the glory of God; And their expanse is declaring the work of His hands.*

Isaiah 55:12 *The mountains and the hills shall break forth into singing before you, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands.*

Luke 19:40 *Jesus answered, "I tell you, if these become silent, the stones will cry out!"*

- But the Church is uniquely Christ's Body:

Colossians 1:16-18 *For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities-- all things have been created through Him and for Him. 17 He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. 18 He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.*

Ephesians 4:4-5 *There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling; 5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism, 6 one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.*

II. Unique Message – _____

John 14:1-6 *"Do not let your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you. 3 If I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also. 4 And you know the way where I am going." 5 Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?" 6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me."*

Ephesians 2:8-9 *For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.*

III. Unique Purpose: _____.

Luke 10:38-42 *Now as they were traveling along, He entered a village; and a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. 39 She had a sister called Mary, who was seated at the Lord's feet, listening to His word. 40 But Martha was distracted with all her preparations; and she came up to Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to do all the serving alone? Then tell her to help me." 41 But the Lord answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; 42 but only one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."*

Point:

Doggy Bag: Something to take home and chew on!



1. What lord rules your life? What are the lords that rival Jesus' love in your life?
2. What messages do you believe? What messages does your life proclaim? Is it a message that "I am good enough", "I can make it on my own", "I don't need anybody", or a message that "I am unlovable", "I am unimportant." What would change in your life if your life message was, "I am loved by God" and "I belong because of grace."
3. What is the purpose of your life? Do you live by your performance, by what you do, or what you have? What would your life look like if you lived by grace? What would your life look like if you found your life in being in Christ and not performance?