

Group Discussion Questions Following the Weekend of April 27-28, 2019

Please don't feel you have to answer every question.

Why Church?

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Icebreaker

Describe a time that a church felt like a family for you ... or not?

What were some of the things that led to this occurring, and what impact did it have on your life?

Group Interaction & Application

Read aloud Ephesians 18-22, in a couple different Bible translations if possible. What strikes you the most from these verses ... words, phrases, concepts, or other things?

What stood out to you the most from this weekend's message on these verses by Pastor Alan?

How would you summarize the main point of his message and its primary take-away for you?

How would you talk about what it really means to be "the church" (and what it doesn't mean) with a new believer or someone skeptical of the relevance of the church today?

In light of this, what's God's role and what's yours in making the church all that God desires it to be?

Considering how the church is described in verses 19-22, what does it mean that we are ...

... fellow citizens with God's people? (verse 19)

... members of God's household? (verse 19)

... a holy temple? (verse 21)

What does this imagery symbolize?

Do you feel like the church in America today is being a "holy temple" to our culture? Why or why not?

In what ways is that Jesus is the chief cornerstone of the church? (verse 20)

What are some practical implications of this?

Paul says we "are being built" together. (verse 22) How has the church helped you grow to become more like Jesus?

What are some ways that Christ-followers might hinder the church from achieving its full potential, either inadvertently or intentionally?

What can you do - either personally or as a group - to ensure that this doesn't occur?

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