

# Invited to church

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## SMALL GROUP NOTES

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### Outline

On Sunday we concluded our Invited series by looking at inviting people to a Sunday service. We covered how the world has a negative view of 'church' and that we need to challenge those perceptions if people are going to respond positively to an invitation. We were encouraged to be personally invested in church and caught up in the wonder of the gathered people of God if we're going to be motivated to invite! We focused on the essential role that 'rejoicing' has in shaping the people of God.

### Scriptures

Luke 10 v20-22

Zephaniah 3 v14-17

I Peter 1 v3-6

### Questions for discussion

1. What has your experience been of inviting people to church or even talking about church to people? What are the most common perceptions you come across?
2. 'There is power in the gathered people of God.'  
Consider this statement and discuss why it might be true.
3. Rejoicing should characterise the people of God. Do you find it hard to believe/accept that the Father rejoices over you? If we truly understood that, what impact should it have on us?
4. What are we tempted to rejoice and put our trust in above God? Look at I Peter v3 onwards. What do you find most encouraging in those 'reasons to rejoice?'
5. Do you see Sunday morning gatherings as a 'ski lift' or a 'mountain summit?'

### Tags

Invited, Church, Perceptions, wonder