



Some Assembly Required

Week Six - "We Could Have Missed This"

Romans 8:14-17

Bottom line: The church is a family - what a beautiful mess.

1. Share about the families you grew up in. What things did you like about your family? What were some of the things you would describe as "messy" parts of your family?
2. It's often said that the two institutions God created are the Church and the family. How are they the same? How are they different?
3. Read Romans 8:14-17
 - a. What does it mean to be an heir of God, and co-heir with Christ?
 - b. What sufferings do we share with Christ?
 - c. What glory do we share with Christ?
 - d. In what ways are we trying to get the glory while skipping the suffering?
4. What does it mean to you to be part of the family of God? What would you miss if you stepped away from it?
5. How does seeing the Church as a "beautiful mess" change your engagement with and understanding of the church?