



The Fundamental List

Week four - "It's a Team Sport"

Hebrews 10:19-25, Matthew 16:15-18, and 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

Bottom line: Following Jesus is a team sport and we each have a position and role to play.

1. Why is it good news for you to know that faith in Christians is **non-essential** to following Jesus?
2. The church is often viewed as judgmental, hypocritical, too political, and old-fashioned. Are there other descriptions you would add? Which of these resonates with you and why?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27.
 - a. How does seeing the church as "the body of Christ" help you think through your role in it, and also its role in your life?
 - b. Why do you think Jesus handed the baton to the gathered community of believers, and not a primary leader?
4. How do we overcomplicate what it means to be the church and to live that out? How can we make it simpler?
5. In what ways do we take the need for the church and our participation in the church too lightly? How can we take a step toward a closer connection?