

The background of the slide features a dramatic sunset or sunrise sky with warm orange and yellow tones. In the foreground, the silhouettes of several people are visible, each holding up a wooden cross. The crosses are of varying heights and are positioned across the frame, creating a sense of a communal worship or prayer session.

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Church 101 @ CFA

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What is the Definition of the Church?

- The Church Is Christian People
- Demonstrating Life
- Under Lordship
- ***TRUE BELIEVERS*** – Coming Together To Honor, Worship & Serve The Lord

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The Church is Called Out to Come Together

- *United By Faith -- Under The Lordship Of Christ*
- **Colossians 1:17–18 (NIV) — 17** He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. **18** And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy.
- **Ephesians 1:22 (NIV) — 22** And God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church,

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What Is the Relationship of the Church to Scripture?

- “The Church is **wholly dependent upon the Word** and has **no existence without it.**”
- “The **entire life and being** of the Church **lie in the Word of God.**”

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Matthew 16:18 (NIV) — 18 And I tell you that you are Peter, and *on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.*

- The church will not be overcome by the gates of Hades
- Hells Gates cannot withstand the church

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Christ Is The Cornerstone and Head Of The Church

- *The Church Has An Operations & Policy Manual w/o Equal The Bible -- God's Holy Word*
- **2 Timothy 3:16 (NIV) — 16** All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,

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What are the Purposes of the Church?

- **John 20:21 (NIV) — 21** Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! **As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.**”
- 1. Love God w/Everything In You** *Matthew 22:36–40*
- 2. Love Your Neighbor A Yourself** *Matthew 22:36–40*
- 3. Go Into The World** *Matthew 28:19–20*
- 4. Make Disciples** *Matthew 28:19–20*

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4 Steps We Take To Fulfill Our Purpose:

1) ***EXALTING GOD*** (*Worship*)

- **John 4:23–24 (NIV) — 23** Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in the Spirit and in truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks. **24** God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.”

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2) ***ENCOURAGING CHRISTIANS TOWARD SPIRITUAL MATURITY.***

- *“The church helps believers grow to be more like Christ by showing them the way, teaching them God’s truth, and encouraging them through a caring community.”*
- **Hebrews 6:1 (NIV) — 1** Therefore let us move beyond the elementary teachings about Christ and be taken forward to maturity, not laying again the foundation of repentance from acts that lead to death, and of faith in God,

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3) ***EQUIPPING CHRISTIANS FOR MINISTRY***

- **Ephesians 4:11–12 (NIV) — 11** So Christ himself gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, **12** to equip his people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up
- ***To Equip & Outfit God's People For Service***
- ***To Build Up Of The Body Of Christ***

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4) *EVANGELIZING the World For Christ.*

- Evangelism is more than an optional activity—it is the church’s fundamental task and imperative
- **Romans 10:13–14 (NIV)** — **13** for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” **14** How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?

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Why Must the Church EXALT – ENCOURAGE – EQUIP -- & EVANGELIZE? So That The Church Can Grow

CFA Must Grow -- Why?

- ***Because God LOVES People.***
- ***Because God COMMANDS us to reach out.***
- **Because God's Spirit EMPOWERS us to share the Good News.**