

one thousand



Small Group

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

“Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says.” James 1:22 NIV

SUMMARY

This week Pastor Frank wrapped up our series, “One Thousand Hearts, One Thousand Hands”. He shared what the church is, who the church is comprised of, and what the church does. We looked at various portions of scripture in reference to supporting the idea of joining together to build and to serve.

1. Two weeks ago, we kicked off our series, “1000 Hearts, 1000 Hands” by looking back at Isaiah 58:12. We’ve been looking at what it means for us to “build up the waste places” and “raise up the foundations for many generations.”

- Who is someone who has gone before you that paved the way for you to hear the gospel?

2. We learned that the Church is like a building (1 Peter 2:4-5), a body (Romans 12:4), and a bride (Ephesians 5:31). These metaphors all describe the importance of the Church to the heart of God.

- In your estimation, how is the Church (at large) doing these days? What do you base that on?
- Is there anything about the Church that is encouraging to you at the moment?

3. Jesus said in Matthew 16:18 that He would build the Church and that the gates of hell would not overcome it.

- How has Jesus used you in the past to help build the Church?
- Have you missed opportunities to be part of something impactful, to help advance the kingdom of God, that you regret?
- What part might He be calling you to play in order to continue the building of His Church?

4. Pastor Frank shared a video that talked about how we, in the West, have been disciplined by our culture to be consumers. However, Jesus can’t build His church with consumers because they are only in it for themselves.

- In what ways do you find a “consumer” mindset in your own life?
- How might you grow from being a consumer to being a contributor?

APPLICATION

PRAYER

Pray that we would be builders and servants for future generations.

