

OPENING QUESTIONS

- Share Highs & Lows from your week!
- What do you think your friends think about when they hear the word “church”? Why?
- Why do you attend church – or youth activities on Wednesdays?
- What do you think are some of the reasons other people go to church?
- What do you think are some of the things God wants the church to do? In other words, why do YOU think the church exists?

Read: Acts 2:42-47

Answer:

- Which words jump out to you strongly from this passage, and why?
- These earliest Christians didn’t have regular church buildings to meet in, yet the church continued to grow...what does that reveal about God’s plan for the church?

- What does it mean to be devoted to something, like verse 42 says about those early Christians?

- Why do you think those Christians were so devoted to spending time with other followers of Christ?

Read: Hebrews 10:24-25

Answer:

- What are we commanded to do in this passage? Why are those instructions important?

- Can you care about other people without that concern leading to some kind of action? Why/why not?

- Tell us about a specific way you've made a difference in another person's life. (It doesn't have to be someone from church—just anyone whose life was helped by something you did).

- How have you personally been encouraged through someone in the church?

Apply IT

We are all called to BE the Church. Part of that is, as we've seen today, is praying for one another and encouraging each other when we meet together. So, that being said, can we LIVE OUT these next couple of questions...

- Do you know someone who is hurting or has a need? What is one way we could care for that person?

- Do you have any needs right now? How can we pray for you—or how can we help meet that need?

MARK OF A DISCIPLE

Disciples of Christ are the individual parts of the Church, following Jesus and doing life together.

PRAY TOGETHER TO CLOSE