

Why Go to Church . . .



When we come together in worship, with God and His people, something wonderful happens. “God” the omnipresent, manifests His presence and reveals Himself in a unique way to those gathered in His name. Whether for worship, prayer, communion with, or learning His word, He promises to meet us there.

When we unplug from that, we’re missing out on the most significant thing God wants to do in our lives... fellowship with us!

From Genesis to Revelation, our faith is one of worship.

We’ll be worshiping in Heaven, so why not get in practice now. The Lord wants to hear us verbalize our praise. I’m often asked “doesn’t God know that we love Him”? Yes, yes He does but, He wants to hear you proclaim it.

PSALM 106:1 TELLS US TO “GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD, FOR HE IS GOOD! HIS FAITHFUL LOVE ENDURES FOREVER”.

Did you know that your worship is a witness? We read in Acts 2 that the first-century church was “praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved”. They were a worshipping church.

There is a definite connection there. When nonbelievers see believers give praise to God, especially when things are hard, it’s a powerful testimony.

**WHEN WE WORSHIP GOD, WE’RE DOING
WHAT GOD CREATED US TO DO**

HERE ARE SOME SCRIPTURES THAT HELP US UNDERSTAND THIS TRUTH

Hebrews 10:24-25

Psalms 122:1

John 8:31

Matthew 18:20

Acts 2:46-47

John 15:12

Matthew 16:18

Acts 2:42

1 Cor 10:17

Ephesians 4:16

Psalms 34:3

Acts 9:31

To get the most out of church, we must not approach it like a “*consumer*”, but rather as a “*communer*”. A *consumer* goes to church with an attitude that says, “It’s all about me. Do what I want you to do.”

A *communer*, on the other hand, goes to church with the realization that it’s for us, and more importantly, it’s all about Him. A *communer* asks, “How can I be a blessing to someone else today?”

If we become self-absorbed, then we’ll find ourselves out of fellowship with God and unhappy. This is a ***very bad*** way for a Christian to be in.

The remedy? The prevention? Fellowship with the Father, His Son and and the rest of the family.

Now, in family there can be some riffs. After all, where a family. Difference of political opinion, disagreements over matters, down right arguments... It doesn't matter! The word gives us solutions to all our relational problems, and commands us to “*love all the Brethren*”! This is how the world will know we are followers of Jesus; “our love toward one another”, imperfections and all.

So get plugged back in, get that fellowship with the Father and the saints rolling, and lets get this world ready for the return of our King!