



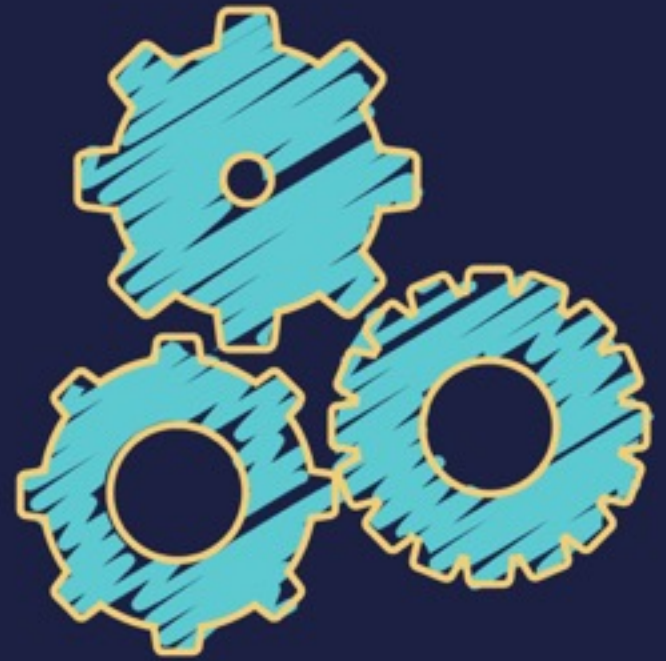


Jesus



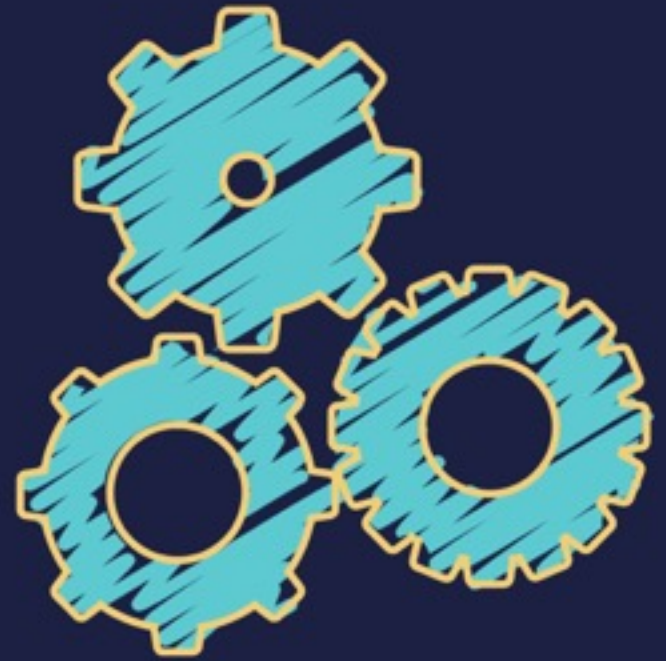
Church





RICHVIEW INSIDE OUT





WHY CHURCH?

Ephesians 2:11-22





Defining “Church”





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You don't **go** to church
You **are** the church





The Church is what Jesus died for






Ephesians 2:11-18

¹¹ Therefore, remember that formerly you who are Gentiles by birth and called “uncircumcised” by those who call themselves “the circumcision” (which is done in the body by human hands)—

¹² remember that at that time you were **separate** from Christ, **excluded** from citizenship in Israel and **foreigners** to the covenants of the promise, **without hope** and **without God** in the world.






Jesus' blood brings all believers near

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¹² remember that at that time you were separate from Christ, excluded from citizenship in Israel and foreigners to the covenants of the promise, without hope and without God in the world.


¹³ **But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ.**





Jesus' peace destroys what divides believers


¹⁴ For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has **destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,** ¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its commands and regulations.





Jesus' purpose is to make a united community

His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace, ¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross, by which he put to death their hostility.





Jesus' call is to all believers near and far

¹⁷ He came and preached peace to you who were **far away** and peace to those who were **near**.

¹⁸ For through him we **both** have access to the Father by one Spirit.





**Jesus died to create spiritual
harmony, not spiritual soloists.**





The Church is what Jesus calls us to






Ephesians 2:19-22

¹⁹ Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of his household,

²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.

²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.






Jesus calls us to citizenship

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²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.






Jesus calls us to be family


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²⁰ built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone.

²¹ In him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord.

²² And in him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit.






Jesus calls us to an established foundation

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Jesus calls us to be joined as a Temple

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If Jesus is Lord, church isn't optional





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Jesus was **torn apart** so that
we could be **joined together**

