

State of the Church
What 2020 taught Us

Deuteronomy 11:2
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Deuteronomy 11² Remember today what you have learned about the LORD through your experiences with him. (GNT)

WHAT DID WE LEARN FROM 2020?

1. The church is PEOPLE, not a BUILDING.

Romans 12⁵ So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. (NIV)

1 Corinthians 12²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. (ESV)

2. God is STRONG even when we're WEAK.

2 Corinthians 12⁹ But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses so that Christ's power may rest on me. ¹⁰ That is why, for Christ's sake, I delight in weaknesses... For when I am weak, then I am strong. (NIV)

Isaiah 41¹⁰ Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand. (NLT)

3. We can WORSHIP GOD ANYWHERE.

John 4²¹ "Woman," Jesus replied, "believe me, a time is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²² You Samaritans worship what you do not know; we worship what we do know, for salvation is from the Jews. 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." (NIV)

4. Our LOVE FOR OTHERS is what really matters.

John 13³⁴ "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. ³⁵ By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." (NIV)

Galatians 5¹³ For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But don't use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. (NLT)

Action Step:

INVITE SOMEONE TO CHURCH NEXT WEEK!