

Worship Service June 7, 2020 Pastor Bruce Adrian

The Glory in Gathering

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the LORD!"

Psalm 122:1

For a day in Your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere. I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

Psalm 84:10

The Church Gathered

As redeemed Christ followers, we are <u>GATHERED</u> by the grace of God to be a <u>GATHERING</u> for the glory of God.

What Does This Mean?

A church is never less than a <u>GATHERING</u>; a called-out assembly of believers in Jesus Christ.

And the LORD gave me the two tablets of stone written with the finger of God, and on them were all the words that the LORD had spoken with you on the mountain out of the midst of the fire on the day of the assembly. Deuteronomy 9:10

"And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it." Matthew 16:18

Now many signs and wonders were regularly done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. Acts 5:12

On the first day of the week, the disciples assembled to break bread. Acts 20:7

For, in the first place, when you come together as a church... 1Corinthians 11:18

So if the whole church comes together... 1Corinthians 14:23

Why We Look Forward to Gathering Again

1. We Gather to Experience God's PRESENCE!

"For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there among them." Matthew 18:20

2. We Gather to Declare God's PRAISE!

I will declare Your name to my people; in the assembly I will praise You. Psalm 22:22

To Him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen. Ephesians 3:21

"Worthy are You, our Lord and God, to receive glory and honor and power, for You created all things, and by Your will they existed and were created." Revelation 4:11

3. We Gather to Hear God's Word PREACHED!

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ. Romans 10:17

Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, and exhort, with complete patience and teaching. 2Timothy 4:2

Therefore we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. Hebrews 2:1

4. We Gather to Encourage God's <u>PEOPLE!</u>

Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing. 1Thessalonians 5:11

Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. Hebrews 10:23-25

Treasuring the Gathering

Treasuring the gathering of our church <u>STRENGTHENS</u> our corporate worship as a church.

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