

CHURCH
Believe

SERIES BIG IDEA:

What I _____ determines who I am _____.

TEACHING BIG QUESTION:

How will God accomplish His _____?

TEACHING BIG IDEA:

I believe the church is God's primary way to accomplish His _____ on earth.

¹⁵"But what about you?" he asked. "Who do you say I am?"¹⁶Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God."¹⁷Jesus replied, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah, for this was not revealed to you by flesh and blood, but by my Father in heaven. ¹⁸And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

Matthew 16:15-18 (NIV)

Jesus is empowering a gathering of people to fulfill the _____ He finished.

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

Death and hell won't be able to stop the Church who has _____ salvation and who is _____ to Jesus' mission.

Jesus' mission is to restore His kingdom that brings _____ in all who trust in Him for salvation.

To receive salvation is to receive the calling to join Jesus' mission _____ the Church.

- **To receive God's love is a call to love _____.** (Matthew 22:36-40)

- **To receive God's truth is a call to become like Jesus by _____ living in _____.** (John 8:31-32)

¹³You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. ¹⁴For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."

Galatians 5:13-14 (NIV)

- **To receive God's Spirit is a call to _____ on His power and _____ others with the gifts He has given.**

A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other.

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NIV)

- **To receive God's place in the family is a call to _____ His family.**

¹⁸But our bodies have many parts, and God has put each part just where he wants it...

²⁵This makes for harmony among the members, so that all the members care for each other. ²⁶If one part suffers, all the parts suffer with it, and if one part is honored, all the parts are glad. ²⁷All of you together are Christ's body, and each of you is a part of it.

1 Corinthians 12:18, 25-27 (NLT)

- **To receive God's rescue is a call to go to those far from God and _____ them what I know.** (Matthew 28:18-20)

The church is a gathering of people on Jesus' _____ to expand His kingdom by making disciples.

KEY VERSE:

Speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ.

Ephesians 4:15 (NIV)

_____ are a people who are loving Jesus, becoming like Jesus, and sharing Jesus with those who are hurting and hopeless to help them find life in Jesus.

(Ephesians 3:14-21)

My Notes