

The Type of Church God Uses - Part 1 of 2

1 Peter 1:3 (LB) “God has given us the privilege of being born again so that we are now members of God’s own family.”

1 Timothy 3:15 (NCV) “That family is the church of the living God, the support and foundation of the truth.”

Ephesians 2:19 (LB) “You belong in God’s household with every other Christian.”

5 BENEFITS OF A CHURCH FAMILY

1. IT HELPS ME _____.

Matthew 22:37-38 (NIV) “Love the Lord your God with all your heart ... and soul and mind. This is the first and greatest commandment.”

Psalms 34:3 (NIV) “MAGNIFY the Lord with me, and let us exalt His name together!”

2. IT HELPS ME _____.

1 Thessalonians 5:10-11 (NCV) “Jesus died for us so that we can live together with Him ... So encourage each other and give each other strength ...”

1 Peter 3:8 (LB) “You should be like one big happy family, full of sympathy toward each other, loving one another with tender hearts...”

Romans 12:5 (NIV) “In Christ, we who are many form one Body and each MEMBER belongs to all the others.”

3. IT HELPS ME _____.

Hebrews 6:1 (LB) “Let us go on . . . and become MATURE in our understanding, as strong Christians ought to be.”

Ephesians 3:10 (NIV) “God’s intent was that through the church, the manifold wisdom of God should be made known...”

4. IT HELPS ME _____.

Ephesians 4:12a (NIV) “. . . to prepare God’s people for the work of MINISTRY.”

Ephesians 2:10 (NLT) “We are God’s masterpiece. He created us anew in Christ Jesus, so that we can do the good things He planned for us long ago.”

1 Corinthians 12:5, 27 (LB) “There are different kinds of service . . . together you form the Body of Christ and each one of you is a necessary part of it.”

5. IT HELPS ME _____.

Acts 20:24 (NCV) “The most important thing is that I complete my MISSION, the work that the Lord Jesus gave me – to tell people the Good News about God’s grace.”

Romans 10:13-14 (LB) “Anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved . . . (but) how can they believe if they’ve never heard? And how can they hear unless someone tells them?”