

June 22, 2022 You Believe That? – The Church Discussion Questions

MEMORY VERSE:

Now you are Christ's body, and individually members of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27

Kicking It Off – How did you come to be part of Crossroads Church? How long have you been attending? What or who brought you to us?

- 1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12–27 and Romans 12:4–5. What kind of a word picture does Paul use to illustrate the church here? Why do you think he used this way to describe it? How would you define the church to someone who had never heard of it?
- 2. Read Hebrews 10:24–25. What do these verses tell us about the relationship of the individual members of the church? What does this say about the importance of lay-ministry (ministry done by those who are not vocational pastors)? Based on the times we are living in, why is this understanding of the function of the church even more important than ever? What role(s) are you playing in the church? (Hint think beyond just volunteering on a team.)
- 3. Read Ephesians 5:21–23. Paul wrote these words to the church of Ephesus. What do these verses say about the relationship between the church and Christ? If Jesus loved the church enough to die for it, What does it say about how important He thinks it is? How does this affect the way you feel about the church?

Putting It into Action – Read 1 Corinthians 1:9–10 and Ephesians 4:15–16. We see that we do not always need to have satisfaction in the church, but what we are called to have unity. This suggests that we should not come to church with the idea of being fed, but come with the goal of feeding others. If we will all come with this mindset, everyone will leave filled by means of the power of the Holy Spirit working through us. Brainstorm with your group practical ways Each of you can intentionally feed others and promote unity within the church.