



NOW WHAT?

“I’VE PLACED MY FAITH IN JESUS.
I’VE BEEN BAPTIZED. NOW WHAT DO I DO?”

EKKLESIA

GREEK: ΣΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ/CHURCH

Definition

1. a gathering of citizens, an assembly
2. an assembly of Christians gathered for worship
3. the whole body of Christians scattered throughout the earth

CHRISTIANOS

GREEK:

ΧΡΙΣΤΙΑΝΟΣ/CHRISTIAN

Definition

1. a follower of Christ, someone who represents the person and works of Christ

SEEK COMMUNITY & ACCOUNTABILITY

READ HEB. 10:24-25; ACTS 2:42-47 • *DON’T NEGLECT MEETING...*

In this life, being a Christian isn’t always going to be easy (cf. Jn. 15:9-24). This is why we must lean on (cf. Gal. 6:1-2) and encourage one another (cf. 1 Thes. 5:11). A decision of faith and baptism may be a personal one, but the journey that follows was never meant to be trekked alone. Attend worship services, join a connect group, and seek discipleship. Together we are the Church!

LEARN TO GIVE & SERVE

READ 2 COR. 9:6-8; 1 PET. 4:8-11; ACTS 4:32-35 • *THEY HAD EVERYTHING IN COMMON...*

Just as Jesus gave Himself as the ultimate sacrifice for sin (cf. Mk. 10:45), so too are we, as Christians, called to make sacrifices for one another. We’re called to give and serve the Church with our time *and* resources. Begin tithing to the church (cf. Lev. 27:30; Prov. 3:9-10), give special gifts to other organizations or people in need, start serving on one of the church ministry teams, and seize opportunity to help out with community and other missional projects. What gifts do you have to bring?

MAKE A PRACTICE OF PRAYER

READ 1 THES. 5:16-18; JAS. 5:13-16 • *PRAY WITHOUT CEASING...*

Prayer is *time talking with God* and the Bible makes it clear that it's not only important and should be encouraged, but that the continual, life long, practice of prayer should be a central element in the life of every follower of Christ. Prayer is our greatest and most direct avenue to God. It builds our relationship with Him. It pleases Him. It brings clarity, direction, correction, forgiveness, and blessing. It makes certain we know and are functioning within His will. Start by setting aside ten minutes a day to pray. Make sure it's done in a place free of distraction (cf. Matt.6:6) where you can just open your heart up to God. You're one of the newest members of the Church family; so, start getting to know your new Father!