

TAKEAWAY ACTION

- I CHOOSE, by faith, to have a RELATIONSHIP with God through Jesus Christ.
- I CHOOSE, by faith, to trust in GOD'S GOODNESS, and not in my own.
- I CHOOSE, by faith, to put MY FAITH IN HIM, not myself.

At [GraceLife Church](#), our mission is drawing people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ!

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize ^{“28} [There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus .” Galatians 3:28\(ESV\)](#)
- Accept Jesus Christ as my Savior and Lord. 1st Time Recommit
- I choose to receive salvation God's way, by faith.
- I choose to live every day God's way, by faith.
- I will apply today's message by _____

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- ⇒ Wednesday Night Service & Bible Study, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
- ⇒ Adult Sunday School - 9:30 a.m. (every Sunday except 2nd Sunday)
- ⇒ Mar 25th - 4th Sunday Lunch following 10:30 a.m. service
- ⇒ Mar 29th & 30th Live Easter Scene 5:30 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
- ⇒ Apr 8th - 2nd Sunday Breakfast—9:30 a.m.



Who is the Church and then what? (Part 1)

Various Text

Sunday, March 18, 2018

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Memory Verse

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The **Ekklesia** is: **Everyone** who has put their faith in Jesus Christ alone for salvation universally, who gather locally, to **exalt** Christ, **equip** and **empower** believers, and then scatter to **evangelize** and live out the gospel by **engaging** the world.

A. A group of people - Galatians 3:26-28

²⁶ for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. ²⁷ For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. ²⁸ There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”

B. Who have put their faith in Jesus Christ alone universally -

Galatians 3:8-11

⁸ And the Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, “In you shall all the nations be blessed.” ⁹ So then, those who are of faith are blessed along with Abraham, the man of faith.

The Righteous Shall Live by Faith

¹⁰ For all who rely on works of the law are under a curse; for it is written, “Cursed be everyone who does not abide by all things written in the Book of the Law, and do them.” ¹¹ Now it is evident that no one is justified before God by the law, for “The righteous shall live by faith.”

C. Who gather locally - Galatians 1:1-2

¹ Paul, an apostle—not from men nor through man, but through Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead— ² and all the brothers who are with me,
To the churches of Galatia:”

Galatians 6:9-10

⁹ As we have said before, so now I say again: If anyone is preaching to you a gospel contrary to the one you received, let him be accursed.

¹⁰ For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Or am I trying to please man? If I were still trying to please man, I would not be a servant of Christ.”

Committing to a local body enables us to fulfill Scripture:

- ◆ *Romans 12:15* - rejoice with those who rejoice, and to weep with those who weep.
- ◆ *Ephesians 4:2* - bear with one another.
- ◆ *Ephesians 4:32* - be kind to one another and forgive one another.
- ◆ *1 Thessalonians 5:11* - encourage one another and build one another up.
- ◆ *Hebrews 3:13* - exhort one another.
- ◆ *Hebrews 10:24* - stir one another up to love and good works.
- ◆ *James 5:26* - confess our sins to one another and pray for each other.
- ◆ *1 Peter 4:9-10* - show hospitality to each other and use our gifts to serve one another.

D. To exalt Christ, equip and empower believers

E. Then scatter to evangelize and live out the gospel, by engaging