



We Are the Church: Let's Go Change the World | Shawn Johnson | 4.30.23

Weekly Study

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This week Shawn continued our new series, *We the Church* with a picture of what it looks like to be the actual Church in our everyday, ordinary lives. He reminded us that it is the movement of God and that we are invited to be part of it by making heaven more crowded, this is grace upon grace.

GROW

Read Acts 2:42-47; Hebrews 10:34-35; Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

This week, we looked at the early Church and we see what it means for the people of God to *be the Church* and how we can learn from the way the Gospel spread through them. Remembering the Church is not a place but a people that live out the Gospel in their words and the way they live their everyday, ordinary lives. The early Church devoted themselves to the Gospel and to each other by showing up, praying, being generous.

Shawn taught what this means for us as a family here at Red Rocks Church. We are invited to show up, pursue God in a group, be generous with your time and resources, serve each other while inviting others to participate in the wondrous love of God. The Church is at its most beautiful state when the people take the Good News of the Gospel of Jesus outside the buildings and serve those in their everyday interactions with people.

Do you find it difficult to live this everyday ordinary life as we are called to be the Church outside the walls of the building of RRC? If so, why or what specifically?

Is it easier for you to invite people to come to the church building rather than for you to go and be the Church in your everyday ordinary life?

What excites you to go and be the Church in your everyday and ordinary life?

What barriers or intimidates you to go and be the Church?

M O V E

Read Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 7:17

God will build his Church and as Shawn reminded us of this week, he doesn't need us to do it for him because in reality, we can't. But the beautiful thing about this is that God sees us in our brokenness and still invites us to be part of building his Kingdom. It was once said that there is no such thing as an unimportant life. The life we have been given has been purposeful from the Lord and from the very beginning. We need to be who and where God intentionally assigns us to be as to continue the movement of building his Church because in all reality, this life isn't about you or me.

Do you believe that your life will have an impact for generations to come? That will change the world. Explain.

As followers of Christ, we are all called out to change the world more than we could ever imagine. If we can grasp our God given assignment, we will impact the Kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven more than we could ever know. We are to live prayerfully, walk carefully and be devoted to the things of Heaven. This is what being the Church looks like here and now.

Who in your life needs you to be *the Church* in a tough season? What is one way you can come alongside them this week?

How has this series so far expanded you mind, heart and soul with the invitation that God has called us each into as we are to move the Gospel forward for the Kingdom of God?

P R A Y

Pray together in smaller groups and ask the Holy Spirit to give you boldness and a sense of expectation for him to walk with you as you share the Good News of Jesus. Pray for the people in your life who need Jesus to enter in and redeem and restore.