



PART 1: A NEW SEASON TO GATHER

Sermon Notes

Text: Hebrews 10:19-25

Intro:

There is something special and irreplaceable about gathering together with God's people.

If you can't change your situation, change your perspective.

“A New Season to Gather”

Hebrews 10:19-25

You might not need a religious system, but you do need each other.

- To encourage
- To spur on
- To hope together
- To be reminded of God's faithfulness
- To prepare to meet Jesus face to face

Romans 12:5

1 Corinthians 12

Luke 4:16

Intentionality is the key!

Conclusion:

How will you practice the spiritual discipline of gathering in this new season?

Life Group Discussion

Warm up:

1. What is your favourite part about a Church services? Music? Preaching? Seeing friends? Coffee time? etc. Why?
2. What are some reasons you attend Bethel Church rather than another?

Study & Discussion:

1. Read Hebrews 10:19-25. Why does the author of Hebrews emphasize the importance of gathering? Why do you think some people were (and are) in the “habit” of “giving up meeting together”? What is the purpose of the weekly church gathering?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 12:15-26. What does this say about the church? How is the church like a body? What happens to body parts when they aren't working together with the rest of the body?
 - Just for fun: If you were to relate yourself to a specific part of the body of Bethel, which would it be (eye, hand, spleen, etc)? It might be harder to identify yourself. Have others give suggestions about what you might be. Why would you/they identify you that way? How can you be the best [fill in the blank kind of body part] you can be?

Application:

1. If you're meeting with a group while doing this, talk about this right now...if not, this week, talk with your family, Christian friends, Life Group, or anyone else you usually gather with for Church. Also, pray and ask God for direction. Talk about how you will practice the spiritual discipline of gathering in this new season. What will your weekly and monthly rhythm be? Then begin adjusting your schedule, and making space to prioritize regular gathering with other believers.