

What is the Church?

An Essential Business

Ephesians 1:15-23, Colossians 1:28-29, Ephesians 4:11-16, & Acts 1:8

Sunday, October 9, 2022

Who's Your One? (praying, seeking, sharing, inviting)

Give an ***invite card*** - cards & tracts are in the foyer.

Why does it matter that we have an accurate, biblical understanding of the Church?

Why is God's Church essential?

I. The _____ is essential to _____ (Eph. 1:15-23).

OT Israel and the NT Church...

"glorious inheritance"

"to the praise of his glory"

Colossians 3:16-17

"...to God."

II. The _____ is essential to _____ (Colossians 1:28-29).

Paul's powerful prayer (Col. 1:15-23)

Jesus Christ is to be proclaimed by the Church to the Church because...

Heading for shipwreck...

Ephesians 4:11-16

- equip
- build up
- unity & knowledge
- maturity

Consequences for a "non-essential" view...

*"...the **whole** body, **joined** and **held** together by **every** joint with which it is **equipped**, when **each** part is **working** properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love" (Eph. 4:16).*

III. The _____ is essential to the _____ (Acts 1:8, Gal. 2:10).

Reluctant witnesses?

Witness in word and deed...

Witness by displaying the power of God...

Next Steps:

1. If this is your first worship experience at HHBC, let us know and tell us how we can pray for you or answer any questions. Send us a message on Facebook or e-mail at info@hhbc.org.
2. How much do you know about the Gospel? Do you have questions about Christianity or your own spiritual condition? If so, please e-mail or call Pastor Gene this week (cell: 864.616.5899 or gene@hhbc.org).
3. Join us Wednesday @ 6:30 as we **Canvass** for the Oct. 21 **Movie Night!**
4. Join us Thursday at 7:00 AM for **Rush Hour Prayer**.