

# RELATIONSHIPS: CHURCH

What do you believe the Church is?

What are some of the names given to the Church that you see in the Bible?

1 Corinthians 12:27, Ephesians 5:23, Revelation 19:6-8

When do you think the Church began?(Acts 2:1-4, 41-42, Ephesians 2:17-22)

Who makes up the Church? (Romans 12:4-5, Acts 2:38, Ephesians 1:3-6, 13-14)

**LOCAL** – believers in your city (Acts 2:42-47, Acts 6:1-4, James 1:27)

**UNIVERSAL** – believers all over the world (Acts 20:28, Revelation 7:9)

Why do you feel it's important for you to be apart of the local Church?

How have you benefited from being apart of the Church?

How have you benefited others?

What do you think the purpose of the Church is?

To bear witness (Acts 11:7-8, Colossians 1:25-29)

To spread the Gospel to all nations (Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:7-8)

Discipleship (2 Timothy 2:2, 3:14-17, Hebrews 13:7)

Why is it important that the Church continues to grow?

Matthew 28:18-20, Acts 1:7-8, Revelation 7:9-10

## APPLICATION

What role do you play in the Church? (Romans 12:4-8, 1 Corinthians 12:28, 1 Peter 4:10)

How could your cell group better model the picture of the Church we have in Acts 2:42-47? (reread the passage together)

Split into smaller groups (2-5 people) and spend 5-10 minutes encouraging each person in the group about the unique gifts and skills God has given him/her as a part of the Church.