The Kingdom of God Wall is Built by Kingdom of God Citizens Building His Church: Part 3 | October 3, 2021

1 Corinthians 12:27

You are the body of Christ and each one of you is part of it.

Matthew 16:18-19

"...on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven."

The Kingdom wall can only be built by _____

• John 3:1-3

The Kingdom of God wall is built only by those ______

• Acts 2:36-41

There was a confrontation with ______

They were seeking ______ to life.

How to Find the Answer (What do these words/phrases mean?)

- Repent
- Be baptized
- For the forgiveness of your sins

Ephesians 2:8 For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God.

Romans 6:4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.

Digging Deeper

Do you have a great memory of a church in your life? Why is it special to you? (5 minutes)

John 3:1-3 (10 minutes)

• Talk about the "born again" experience. If this is something you have experienced, tell the group that story.

Acts 2:36-41

- Read verse 36 together. Talk about the phrase, "cut to the heart."
 - Has that ever happened to you? If so, what was your response? Share your story.
- Who do you remember that told you the truth about Jesus?
- Have you ever told someone else the real truth about Jesus? Tell that story to the group.

As a group, discuss and write down deep and well-thought-out definitions of these important theological words. Use the sermon that was taught to help guide some of your thoughts. *(10 minutes)*

- Repent
- Baptize

How do these definitions line up with Romans 6:4?

(20 minutes)

In the sermon, Billy talked about the difference between a "totally immersed life in Christ" and a "church attender." He compared a life that leaves an *eternal footprint* on people's lives, and a life that merely leaves a *footnote* in human history.

- Are you a Kingdom of God citizen who is ready to commit to building His church? (Discuss the implications of your answers.)
- Who are you praying for that is seeking the answer that can only be found in Christ? (Write the names of those who are on your heart.)

Do you know how to lead someone who is seeking Jesus to accept Him? (5 minutes)

As a group, write a simple prayer about what it means to trust Christ. (10 minutes)