



together

CLOSER LOOK 8.30.26

Speaker: Ps Joe Champion

Scripture: Psalm 50:5–7, Proverbs 5:7–14, 1 Kings 19:2–4; 9-10, 14, Hebrews 10:24-25, 1 Tim 3:15, Acts 31-35

Notes

The Church is the place where we have Great Fellowship!
Acts 4:32

The Church is the place where we Hear Great News!
Acts 4:33, Eph 1:13-14

The Church is the place where we give and experience Great Grace!
Acts 4:33-35, Zechariah 4:7

The Church is the place where we see Great Change!
Acts 4:35, Acts 3:8, Psalm 105:37-39

What's Coming Up

For more all that is coming up in the life of church, visit: <https://rock.celebration.church/events>

Ice-breaker: Think about a moment in your life -- either a high point or a low point -- when you instinctively wanted to be around other people. What drew you toward community in that moment?

Questions

1. Psalm 50 describes God as one who will speak things his people may not want to hear -- reproof, rebuke, pruning. How do you personally respond when the church or a fellow believer speaks a hard truth into your life? What makes it easier or harder to receive?

2. The sermon points out that Elijah's first move when fear set in was to leave his servant behind -- to separate from the person closest to him. Why do you think isolation is often our first instinct when we are hurting, afraid, or ashamed?

3. The pastor said, "We throw ourselves into deeper darkness when we disconnect from God's people." Has there been a season in your life when pulling away from community made things worse? What eventually drew you back?

4. Hebrews 10:24-25 says we are to stir one another toward love and good works. What does that look like practically in our small group? Are there ways our group could do this more intentionally?

Prayer

Lord, we thank you that you have not designed us to walk through this life alone. You have called your godly ones to gather -- to gather to you, and to gather to one another. Forgive us for the times we have isolated, drifted, or placed our own comfort above the good of the whole. Make us one, as you prayed we would be. And may that unity be a testimony to a fractured world that you are alive and that you are Lord. In Jesus name, amen.