

# LISTEN UP & WRITE IT DOWN

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## **The Gospel & Our Church**

*The Gospel for Real Life*

Acts 2:36-47

Sunday, November 30, 2008

### **What is the church?**

Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 1:22-23

Ekklesia – “\_\_\_\_\_ ones”

### **The church is to be gospel centered, forgiven and Spirit filled.**

Act 2:22-42

What should our response be to this good news...to the gospel?

Acts 2:38

repent – p\_\_\_\_\_

be baptized – p\_\_\_\_\_

What does it mean to be devoted? Acts 2:42

single \_\_\_\_\_ and whole \_\_\_\_\_

### **The church is to be a Bible centered, learning church.**

Acts 2:42; John 8:31-32; Isaiah 55:10-11

God's word is p\_\_\_\_\_!

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### **The church is to be a relational, loving church.**

Acts 2:42; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 1:22-23; 1 John 1:3, 6-7;

Hebrews 10:24-25

fellowship (koininea) -

What does it mean to walk in darkness as compared to walking in the light?

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### **The church is to be a Christ centered, worshipping church.**

What is worship?

Acts 2:42-47; John 4:23-24; Romans 12:1

To worship in spirit...

...with our heart - “\_\_\_\_\_”ship!

To worship in truth...

...with our head - “\_\_\_\_\_”ship!

To worship in service...

...with our hands - “\_\_\_\_\_”ship!

Do you see these three aspects of worship in our Acts text?

### **The church is to be a reaching out, evangelistic church.**

Acts 2:47; Matthew 9:36

How does Jesus look at those in darkness?

## **OUR MISSION**

**To celebrate, proclaim and live out  
the Gospel of Jesus Christ  
on the Central Coast and beyond!**

# THINK IT OVER!

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1. Read Acts 2:22-36 and note all the aspects of the Gospel you see in this passage. And then what is to be our response to the Gospel in verses 38 & 42?
2. In Acts 2:42 it says to be continually devoted. What does it mean to be continually devoted to something?
3. What are the keys you see with respect to our being a Bible centered church in John 8:31-32 and Isaiah 55:10-11?
4. What should our fellowship look like according to 1 John 1:3, 6-7 and Hebrews 10:24-25?
5. What are the three aspects of worship we see in John 4:23-24 and Romans 12:1 and how do you see them lived out in Acts 2:42-47?
6. What do you see as Jesus' attitude toward those still in the dark according to Matthew 9:36? How does this fit with what we thought about last week with respect to the Gospel and our neighbors?

# WORK IT OUT!

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1. What was new and most challenging for you in this week's text/message?
2. How should your understanding of the Gospel change why you come to church?
3. As we think about the church being a body in 1 Corinthians 12:12-27, which part are you and why?
4. Which of the 5 aspects of the church do you need to grow in the most in order to be more involved with the body? Who will you talk to in order to keep you accountable to this?
5. Think more this week on the three aspects of worship and how you can grow in your worship.
6. Think about how these different aspects of being the church overlap and intersect with each other in your real life.
7. Have you been baptized yet? Why or why not?