

Life Group Leader Notes

The House of the Lord

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I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the House of the Lord.

Psalm 122: 1

And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

Matthew 21: 13

And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house a house of merchandise.

John 2: 16

Jesus condemned the money changers for the wrong use of the temple. They were robbing His House of its purpose.

Discussion: Discuss the reasons why YOU gather as the church on Sunday? Are you robbing the House of its purpose?

1. The House of Jesus and His people.

And He is before all things, and by Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things He might have the preeminence.

Colossians 1: 17-18

But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a Holy nation, His own special people; that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.

1 Peter 2: 9

Jesus is the head of the church and He must have the preeminence. He has given us all, the ministry of reconciliation. We are his own Special people.

Discussion: Do you feel Special? Have you always felt Special??

2. The House of Grace

For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Ephesians 2: 8-9

We must love His house. Our hearts must be full of compassion and mercy, not judgement.

Discussion: What, specifically, in your life is due only to God's presence and goodness?

3. The House of Equality

There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.

Galatians 3: 28

We all belong to the Lord. We are all equal in His sight. Let us declare this scripture over Waters Church and pray for Unity.