

1 Thing

Do I Need to Go to Church?



Talk It Over

Message Summary ●●●

Christianity is **not** a solo sport. Prioritizing regular church attendance is key to experiencing God's presence and community.

Key Scriptures ●●●

*One thing I ask from the Lord,
this only do I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to gaze on the beauty of the Lord
and to seek him in his temple.*
Psalm 27:4 (NIV)

*Whoever is not with me is against me,
and whoever does not gather with me
scatters.*
Luke 11:23 (NIV)

*Do you not know that you are the
temple of God, and that the Spirit of
God dwells in you? ¹⁷ If anyone defiles
the temple of God, God will destroy
him. For the temple of God is holy. And
you are His temple.*
1 Corinthians 3:16-17 (MEV)

*planted in the house of the Lord,
they will flourish in the courts of our
God.*
Psalm 92:13 (NIV)

Start Talking ●●●

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Have you ever gone to the grocery store for just one thing and ended up with a cart full of items you didn't plan to buy? What was the 'one thing' you forgot?
- Watch this week's Sermon Refresh: [Here](#) (Available Mondays)

Start Thinking ●●●

Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Read the Key Scriptures on the left.
- How do these verses highlight the importance of being in God's presence and community?

Start Sharing ●●●

Choose a question(s) to create openness.

- Can you share a time when being part of a group or community made a big difference in your life?
- What are some ways we can make church a welcoming and supportive place for everyone?
- What is one specific action you can take this week to connect more deeply with your church community?

Start Praying ●●●

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of community and the church. Help us prioritize gathering together to seek Your presence and support one another. Guide us to be a light in our community, drawing others closer to You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Start Doing ●●●

- **For You:** Set a personal goal for how many weeks you plan to attend church in person this year. Share your goal with the group to encourage accountability and support.
- **For Others:** Invite someone to join you at church next week and share how regular attendance has impacted your life. Be prepared to listen to any reservations they might have, such as past church hurt or preferring online services, and respond thoughtfully using insights from this week's sermon.

