

Points to Remember:

When we are in agreement before the Lord in our lives & ministries and in our worship together—the combined effect is like that of an orchestra. Together we can create something special and beautiful

The hectic pace of life often makes it easy to view the gathering of God's people more as a filling station where we refuel our souls, rather than a community that we can draw from and a place where we can invest our gifts. You are encouraged to actively participate.

Worshipping with other believers is not always a convenient thing to do. But God seems entirely comfortable requiring that we make such sacrifices for the purpose of gathering His people together.

God has made us fundamentally incomplete. We are designed to find our completion in relationship with Him and with others in the family of faith. God is always drawing us into Christian community.

We are but “aliens and strangers” here on earth, but when we sing, shout & rejoice together we rehearse for life in our heavenly home. To worship as a community of faith is to be “home” in a real sense.

No matter how sweet our personal communion is with the Lord, we will discover new aspects of His character & love when we worship him in the assembly of the saints. Make it a priority to be in church!

Looking Ahead:

Review your sermon notes. What point stood out to you and why?

How can you apply what you learned from this sermon to your life?

Worshipping together is about far more than simply singing a hymn with our friends in church. Worshipping God with other believers is His idea. It should be important to us because it matters to Him.

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Foothills Methodist Church making disciples of Jesus Christ



“Some Assembly Required”

Pastor Brad Chesebro

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“My mother was faithful to the house of God. When she felt like it and when she didn’t, when the preaching was good and when it wasn’t, my mother was there. Another thing I liked about my mother at church: she did her sleeping at home. She never used the church for an adult nursery. She stayed awake and actively participated in the worship of God.”

-Her son, Brad Chesebro

Three Reasons We Worship Together

1) It is _____ and His _____

*“O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, you who kill the prophets and stone those sent to you, **how often I have longed to gather your children together**, as a hen gathers her chicks under her wings, but you were not willing”. Luke 13:34*

2) It reflects God’s _____.

*“The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, **they form one body. So it is with Christ.**”*
1 Corinthians 12:12

3) It brings God _____ to _____.

“The LORD your God is with you, He is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, He will quiet you with his love, He will rejoice over you with singing.”
Zephaniah 3:17

“For I am the Lord, your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior; Since you are precious and honored in my sight, and because I love you, I will give men in exchange for you, and people in exchange for your life. Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’ and to the south, ‘Do not hold them back.’ Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth—everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made. Lead out those who have eyes but are blind, who have ears but are deaf. All the nations gather together and the peoples assemble.”

Isaiah 43:3-9

Three Benefits of Worshipping Together

1) It _____ and _____ our faith.

“Therefore my friends, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:19-25

2) It gives us a unique opportunity to _____.

*“I rejoiced with those who said to me, **“Let us go to the house of the LORD.”**”*
Psalm 122:1

*“I will tell of your name to my brothers & sisters in the midst of the congregation. **I will praise you. From you comes my praise in the great congregation.**”*
Psalm 22:22 & 25

3) It fuels our _____ for his _____.

*“**In him we were also chosen... in order that we,** who are the first to hope in Christ, **might be for the praise of his glory.**”*
Ephesians 1:11

*“On their release, Peter and John went back to their own people and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. When they heard this, **they raised their voices together in prayer to God.** “Sovereign Lord,” they said, “You made the heaven and the earth and the sea, and everything in them. Now, Lord, consider the threats against us and **enable your servants to speak your word with great boldness. Stretch out your hand to heal and perform miraculous signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.** After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. **They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.**”*

Acts 4:23-24 & 29-31