



God gives us a common identity

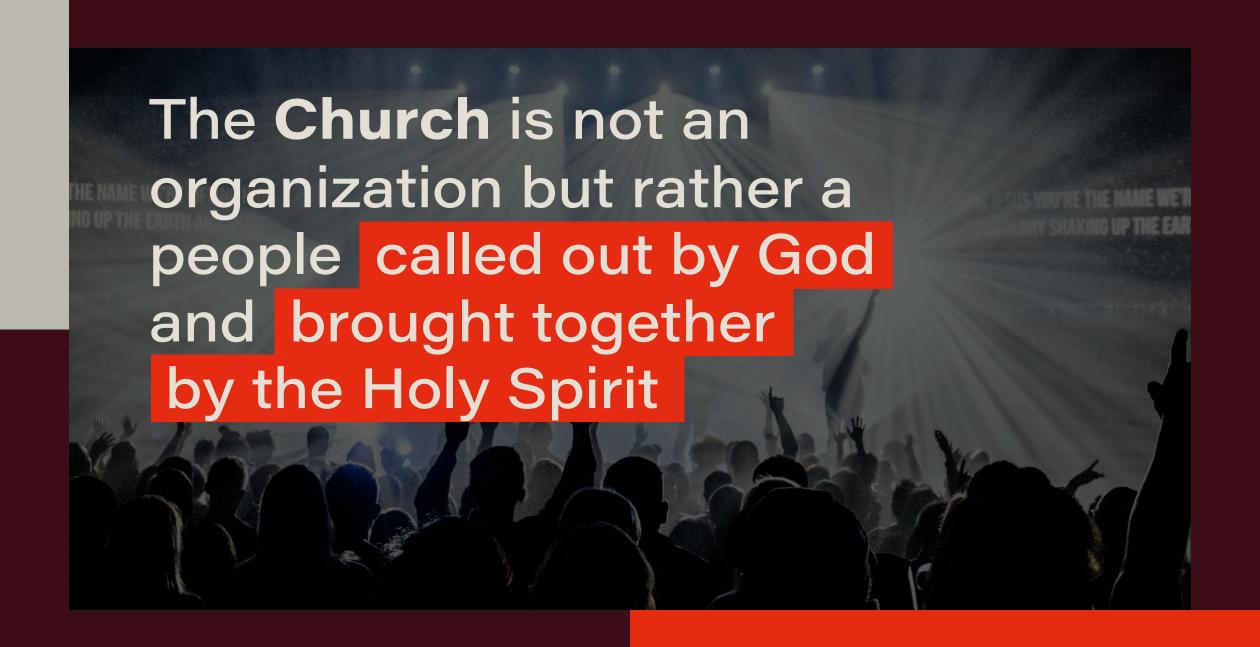
God places us in this community together

God dwells in this community

THE CHURCH



- Ekklesia called out ones
- Qahal –
 assembly (OT)







Serve despite [hallenges] Colossians 1:24-25



Paul's service

'Suffered for you'

'for the sake of his body, which is the church'

'servant' - diakonos













It is all about lives!









Ephesians 4:1-16



Ephesians 4:11-16

Live out your call, focused on building unity

Each person has received grace to build up the church

People are given as gifts to serve and build up the church



Ephesians 4:11-13

It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up until we all reach unity in the faith and in the knowledge of the Son of God and become mature, attaining to the whole measure of the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:14-16

Then we will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is Christ. From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love as each part does its work.



Infancy **VS** Maturity

Tossed about vs Joined and held together

Deception **VS** Truth

Human origin **vs** In Christ













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