

f. List three attitudes you should possess toward those individuals you have a hard time relating with:

g. Give three practical steps you can take to pursue those individuals you have a hard time relating with.

7. Take some time to finish this sentence and discuss it with your discipler. In this lesson...

I have discovered _____

Weekly Assignments

- 1. Read the book of Ephesians.
- 2. Check out some of the small group opportunities in your church.
- 3. This week, find out how a person becomes a member at your church.
- 4. Write out and memorize Romans 15:7.

- 5. Bring Bible to church and take Sermon notes.
- 6. Encourage someone this week with a note of appreciation.

MY NEW FAMILY IN CHRIST

Lesson #4

CHRISTIAN LIFE QUIZ

I have heard that unless a person is a member of a church...

- _____ They cannot enter heaven.
- _____ They cannot participate in communion.
- _____ They are not in obedience to God's Word.
- _____ They cannot use the services of the church.
- _____ They are not part of God's family.

Why should a person be committed to a local church?

- _____ To receive the forgiveness of sins.
- _____ For mutual accountability and encouragement.
- _____ To experience salvation through the church.
- _____ To better focus one's resources in fulfilling God's mission.
- _____ To obey God's Word.

How to Benefit from Church Involvement

1. What was your motivation for attending church before you committed your life to Jesus Christ?

2. Being committed to a church is important because God commands it.

a. What phrase in Hebrews 10:25 suggests that we should be committed to regularly attending a local church?

b. What benefits do we experience when we attend church on a regular basis? See Hebrews 10:24-25.

c. When we come to church, what type of attitude should we come with? See Hebrews 10:24-25.

3. *What were the first Christians committed to in Acts 2:42-47?*

- a. They were devoted to: _____
- b. They were devoted to: _____
- c. They were devoted to: _____
- d. They were devoted to: _____
- e. They were devoted to: _____
- f. They were devoted to: _____
- g. They were devoted to: _____

4. *List a few ways you can benefit from both small group and large group fellowship:*

Small Group intimacy _____ _____ _____ _____	Large Group excitement _____ _____ _____ _____
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5. *In Psalm 133:1, the Psalmist gives two positive reasons why we should be committed to God's family.*

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6. *In Psalm 133:1, what makes our commitment to church a positive experience?*

a. Ephesians 4:3 say, "Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit..." Unity is not something that happens passively, but is aggressively pursued. From Ephesians 4:2, list the attitudes with which we are to pursue unity:

- _____
- _____
- _____
- _____

b. In Ephesians 4:4-6, list the reasons why we should aggressively pursue unity:

c. Is there someone or some group of people in your church that you have a hard time getting along with? How do you handle that relationship?

- avoid them publicly criticize them privately
- speak to them carefully judge them internally

d. The Bible offers several practical steps for pursuing unity.

1. Romans 12:3 _____
2. Romans 12:10 _____
3. Romans 12:13 _____
4. Romans 12:16 _____
5. Romans 13:8 _____
6. Romans 14:1 _____
7. Romans 14:13 _____
8. Romans 14:19 _____
9. Romans 15:7 _____

e. Is a person supposed to lose their identity and uniqueness in the pursuit of unity? Use Romans 12:4-8 and I Corinthians 12:12-26 to explain your answer.

