



Discussion Guide 15

November 18

What About the Church?

1. What is the church?

Friends *John 15:15*

Greek word *koinonia* = fellowship

Family *1 John 5:1*

God as our Father
Brothers and sisters in Christ
Importance of unity

Home

Old Testament: physical temple was God's home
New Testament: building made up of people
Ephesians 2:21-22 (Jesus as the cornerstone; indwelt by God's spirit)

Jesus

We are the body of Christ through whom the world will see Jesus
How does the world "see" the church?

Love

Jesus loves the church; Jesus loves you. *Ephesians 5:25-27,32*

2. What new insights did you receive about becoming a Christian?

Something God does: gives you the Holy Spirit
Something you do: repent and believe
Something the church does: baptism