

STS-125 Mission to repair Hubble

Doing the mission all the time

Church

Biblical Word for church

Greek word “church”

Greek: ἐκκλησία - ekklesia

Meaning: an assembly, a (religious) congregation

I don't see anything in there about a building or time of service...

Define church

Womens' retreat

Sky Sox game

Jesus' Cookout with the guys – John 21.3-13

No guitars

No one broke up into prayer groups

Wasn't on Sabbath

Jesus didn't preach

* They had a cookout, sponsored by Jesus, He talked with them, and He restored their souls.

Camping at the Dunes

Are we going to leave when “church” is over
so we leave church behind

What if we get church wrong?

THEOLOGY – DOCTRINE

John 9:2 – we will most certainly use that theology to pidgin-hole people on the basis of sin

RULES AND TRADITIONS

John 9.16 – we will define people's spiritual status with God on how well they keep our rules

IF THE CHURCH IS DEFINED AS CERTAIN LEADERSHIP
John 9.22 Excommunicate anyone who openly follows a leader
who is “unapproved”

FOUNDING “FATHERS”

John 9.28 – we might revile someone who has been blessed by
God

IF IT'S NOT JESUS CHRIST AND HIS MISSION IN US,
WHEREVER WE ARE...

John 9:34 – we might be totally offended by the real truth, requote
our own theology back to ourselves, and categorize people in ways
that would better describe ourselves.

Revelation 1

v.4 “to the seven churches”

v9-20 Jesus among the lampstands

= Jesus among his people

Compare with the cookout picture

People together with Jesus

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By beholding the goodness, the mercy, the justice, and the love of
God revealed in the church, the world is to have a representation of
His character.

When are we doing church?

When we do life together with each other and Christ

Website “Mission”

*Philadelphia Ministries is a spiritual fellowship of friends started
by Seventh-day Adventists for the purpose portraying the
incredible character of God through spiritual growth in the
context of doing life together in transparency and love.*