

SESSION 2

MEANINGFUL METAPHORS FOR THE CHURCH

The Family of God (1 Timothy 3:15)

- The church is the pillar and foundation of truth so should faithfully defend the truth of God's word.

Group Work

Passage 1:

Passage 2:

Passage 3:

• What is the metaphor?

• What does it mean?

• What are the implications?

THE BODY

(Romans 12:4-8; 1 Corinthians 12:12-13; Ephesians 5:22-23; 4:15-16)

- Christ is the head of his church & every member is essential.

THE BRIDE

(2 Corinthians 11:2-4; Ephesians 5:22-23; Revelation 19:6-9; 21:2, 9-10)

- The church is loved deeply by God so should be loved deeply by us.

THE BUILDING

(1 Corinthians 3:16-17; Ephesians 2:19-22; 1 Peter 2:4-8)

- When we meet together, God dwells among us.

The Flock of God (John 10:16; Acts 20:28)

- Jesus shepherds his people through the undershepherds he appoints.

Recommended Resources



Sinclair Ferguson Podcast



6 Metaphors the Bible Uses for the Church