

Small Group Questions: Strength in Numbers/Why Church?

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Read

Hebrews 10:23-25

Reflect

In our series, “Strength in Numbers,” we explore the importance of community within the body of Christ. Pastor Greg Surratt continues the series by talking about the local church, and how we can view it as the hope of the world.

1. Our hope in Christ is what makes us the church.

- a. What things other than Jesus can we be tempted to make church about?
- b. What things other than Jesus do we try to put our hope in?
- c. How can we be confident Christ won't let us down if we put our hope in him? Do you ever struggle to believe that? Explain.

2. Our love for each other is what we do in the church.

- a. What do you find yourself considering when you go to church?
- b. How can you serve as an encouragement to others? What encouragement have you received that's had an impact on you in the church?
- c. Pastor Greg says we are all in full-time ministry. How can you personally step into this role in the church and out in the world?

3. Our meeting together is what keeps us connected to the church.

- a. Pastor Greg listed some negative outcomes of getting out of the habit of attending church. Which stood out to you? Can you think of others?
- b. What are some positive outcomes that you have personally experienced from attending church?
- c. Is there an area in which you feel like God is prompting you to be more faithful – as far as attendance?

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?