

Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

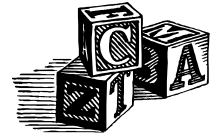
"What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "What I Have Learned About Christ and His Church" (Acts 20:17-38.)

Basic Ideas from Acts 20:17-38.

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know that God loves His Church.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose to align ourselves with His Church.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of resting in the purpose of God for His people.



Basic Question from Acts 20:17-38.

The questions are basic and perhaps simple, but people should be able to share what they believe about the church and why they have or have not joined a local church through membership.

1. Is it spiritually healthy not to be a part of a local community?
2. How should I view the church?
3. What reasons could one offer as to why they would not align themselves to a local church?

Basic Application from Acts 20:17-38.

1. Are you acknowledging the divine structure of the church? In what way is this showing itself?
2. Do you acknowledge the divine origin of the church? In what way is this showing itself?
3. Do you acknowledge the value of what He has done to bring His church into existence? In what way is this showing itself?
4. Although you might consider it a small thing and you might have every excuse imaginable to resist membership, but look at what we are and consider the divinely established structure of the church and then reconsider whether or not you should align yourself with this family of families by membership.
5. Some of you have already taken the classes for membership, yet you have not finished the course. The elders would encourage you finish the process and join this family. If you have never taken the course, the elders wish to extend to you a sincere and genuine invitation to take the course. We will be starting a study in the next couple of months.