

# U N A N S W E R E D

## UNANSWERED Week 1: Do I Have To Go To Church To Be A Christian?

**Objective:** [1 minute]

To address a question that many people have who might consider themselves Christians but don't see the need to attend a Church.

**Theme Verse:** [1 minute]

**Hebrews 10:23-25**

*“Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for He who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, NOT GIVING UP MEETING TOGETHER, AS SOME ARE IN THE HABIT OF DOING, but encouraging one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching.*”

**Group Time:** [15 minutes]

This would be an amazing opportunity for an Icebreaker to get everyone sharing and involved. Leaders should set the tone by volunteering to “go first” if necessary. Make sure to include time to introduce new group members.

**Weekly Video:** [5 minutes]

**Discussion:** [40 minutes]

**Action:** [5 minutes]

Remember that takeaways are vital; do your best to challenge yourself and the group members to consider an “action item” for this topic that can include follow-up.

**Prayer:** [10 minutes]

As you close the group session, pray together as a group and encourage group members to join you for the next scheduled Small Group. Remember, your group should be a safe place.

### **Key Discussion Questions:**

1. Pastor Dennis shared several reasons why people become disconnected from regularly attending church (Bad Experience in Church, not Relevant to them, Church Burn-Out, etc.) – in your experience what reason stood out the most?
2. Look at the story of the early church in Acts. 2:41-47, what do you think it means that they “devoted themselves to the apostles teaching, and to fellowship...”?
3. How does being a part of a local church “Multiply the Power of Your Life”? Share how you have experienced this personally?
4. In what ways does Ephesians 4:11-16 speak to the local Church providing an opportunity for Spiritual Growth and Accountability?
5. Many people have God-given Gifts but only use them in their Job or Personal Life. Share with the group how you will use **YOUR** gifts for the Church? Who will hold you accountable to follow-through?