



Christ's Headship of the Church

Ephesians 1:22-23

The nature and function of the church:

- Christ as head of the church means ultimate authority belongs to Him.
- Christ as head of the church means all life and vitality come from Him.
- The church, which is His body, is not autonomous from the head.
- Christ as head of the church means that supernatural unity is found only in Him.
- The church, which is His body, contains the very life and power of Christ.

Unity of the church:

- Who is our Lord and Savior?
- Who is our common enemy?
- What is our shared identity?
- What is our sole authority?
- What is our common mission?

Other Scripture:

John 15:1-5; 1 Corinthians 12:12-18; John 17:20-21

Further Study:

Read: Ephesians 1:22-23 and the other scripture in your group or with at least one other person.

1. Have someone read it while everyone reads along.
2. Have someone else read it while everyone else listens.
3. Have someone recount the text from memory in their own words.

Discuss:

1. What does the passage reveal about God?
2. What does the passage reveal about humanity?

Act:

1. If this passage is from God, what should change about how you live?
2. Who needs to hear the truth of this Scripture that you can share it with this week?
3. Identify a time this week when you might have the opportunity to share with them.