

Sunnyside Foursquare

Series: Ekklesia – The Purpose of the Church

Title: **Family of God**

Pastor DJ Vick / 6.7.26

**Scriptures:**

Read- Matthew 16:13-20

Church (Greek: Ekklesia)-

\*Definition: Called out ones, gathered in assembly,

I, DJ, like to say '*Called out ones who are united on mission*'

\*Used in New Testament: 114 times in 111 verses

Read- 1 John 3:1-3

**Questions:**

1. When you think of the church what comes to mind a place, a service/meeting, or a community of faith?
2. Do you remember the definition of church DJ used in his sermon?  
(Answer: Anyone washed in the blood of Christ)
3. What is the “common ground” we share as brothers & sisters in Christ? How is that different from any other group on the planet?
4. In the message what is the common goal that we share in God’s family? Why are relationships with believers so important to this goal?
5. Christ’s Return is imminent (1 Jn. 3:3), so our “common mission” is imperative. What is it exactly? How are you fulfilling that role right now?
6. Take a moment to thank God for the people who have helped you feel like you’re a part of God’s family & also pray for our church family.