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# Humanly speaking, it is impossible. But with God everything is possible.

- Matthew 19:26

## The Church, individually and collectively, is called to embody these characteristics...

#### GATHER | GROW | GIVE | GO

Active vs Passive

#### The Body of Christ

Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

- Romans 12:4-5



Satan will do everything he can to pull the Body of Christ apart, because once he has you isolated from the Body, he knows its only a matter of time before your faith is infiltrated and then overcome by the world.

And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

- Hebrews 10:25

"let us not neglect our meeting together"

To "not neglect" means that we are called to <u>prioritize</u>; making an intentional effort to gather together as Christ-Followers.

"encourage one another"

To "encourage" means that we are called to <u>strengthen</u> one another in faith, hope, and love; giving purpose to our gathering together.

"especially now that his return is drawing near"

This "now" means that we are called to a sense of urgency, correlating Jesus' return and our need to gather together.

#### A Me & Thee Mentality

## PROXIMITY MATTERS

### For where two or three gather together as my followers, I am there among them.

- Matthew 18:20

When we **GATHER** in the power and love of Jesus, our lives, community, and world are transformed!

## Your mission as the church, should you choose to accept it...

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PRIORITIZE | STRENGTHEN | URGENCY

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