

# THE POWER OF YOUR PRESENCE

## THE POWER OF THE CHURCH – Part 1

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*(Jesus)...I will build my church, and all the powers of hell will not conquer it.*  
**Matthew 16:18 (NLT)**

*...This is the church of the living God, which is the pillar and foundation of the truth.*  
**1 Timothy 3:15 (NLT)**

*Now here is what I am trying to say: All of you together are the one body of Christ, and each one of you is a separate and necessary part of it.*  
**1 Corinthians 12:27 (TLB)**

**The Church is not separate from the people that are a part of it!**

### **The Church is us!**

*Don't you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you?*  
**1 Corinthians 3:16 (NLT)**

*When I am raised to life again, you will know that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you.*  
**John 14:20 (NLT)**

*...I have come that they might have life, and have it to the full.*  
(Abundant Life) **John 10:10b**

*All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity—all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.*  
**Acts 2:42-47 (NLT)**

**For me to experience Church to its full potential:**

**I need to know people and I need to be known by people.**

*And every day, in the Temple and from house to house, they continued to teach and preach this message: "Jesus is the Messiah."*  
**Acts 5:42 (NLT)**

**House to House - "People meeting together regularly, as a Small Group (6-12) to develop relationships, meet needs, minister to each other, become family, and do life together."**

*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 (NLT)**

*...so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other. In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you.*  
**Romans 12:5-6 (NLT)**

**The Power of Your Presence – You Showing Up!**

**Your Commitment**

**Your Conviction**

**Your Prayer**

**Your Participation**

\*If you are currently not in a Small Group and would like to get involved, or know more about it, fill out the Connect Card and turn it in after the service.