

Being a Christian involves others ... It is a "together" religion.

- Acts 1:3-4, "To whom he also showed himself alive after his passion by many proofs, appearing unto them by the space of forty days, and speaking the things concerning the kingdom of God: and, being assembled together with them, he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, (said he,) ye heard from me."
- Acts 2:44-45, "And all that believed were together, and had all things common; and they sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all, according as any man had need."

2

Being a Christian involves others ... It is a "together" religion.

- Acts 10:24-27, "And on the morrow they entered into Caesarea. And Cornelius was waiting for them, having called together his kinsmen and his near friends. And when it came to pass that Peter entered, Cornelius met him, and fell down at his feet, and worshipped him. But Peter raised him up, saying, Stand up; I myself also am a man. And as he talked with him, he went in, and findeth many come together"
- Acts 11:25-26, "And he (Barnabas) went forth to Tarsus to seek for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that even for a whole year they were gathered together with the church, and taught much people, and that the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch."

3

Being a Christian involves others ... It is a "together" religion.

- 1 Corinthians 11:17-34 The saints in Corinth came together for their worship in observing the Lord's Supper; "that ye come together" (verse 17), "when ye come together in the church" [church assembled – cf. 1 Corinthians 14:23, mg] (verse 18), "When therefore ye assemble yourselves together" [in one place, KJV, NKJV] (verse 20), "that your coming together" (verse 34).
- Small group meetings do not constitute the church assembled!

5

Being a Christian involves others ... It is a "together" religion.

- Acts 12:12, "And when he had considered (the thing), he came to the house of Mary the mother of John whose surname was Mark; where many were gathered together and were praying."
- Acts 15:30, "So they, when they were dismissed, came down to Antioch; and having gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle."
- Acts 20:7-8, "And upon the first day of the week, when we were gathered together to break bread, Paul discoursed with them, intending to depart on the morrow; and prolonged his speech until midnight. And there were many lights in the upper chamber where we were gathered together."

4

Hebrews 3:12-13, "Take heed, brethren, lest haply there shall be in any one of you an evil heart of unbelief, in falling away from the living God: but exhort one another day by day, so long as it is called Today; lest any one of you be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin" cf. Numbers 13-14 Warnings: Hebrews 4:1 - Not just fear if YOU don't enter, but "ANY ONE OF YOU."

 Hebrews 4:11, "Let us therefore give diligence to enter into that rest, THAT NO man fall after the same example of disobedience."

6

Together In Hebrews

- Hebrews 6:10, "For God is not unrighteous to forget your work and the love which ye showed toward his name, in that ye ministered unto the saints, and still do minister."
- Hebrews 10:23-26, "... and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds" NASU
- Hebrews 12:12-13 God chastens / disciplines those He loves.
 - Hebrews 12:15-17 Make sure this doesn't happen to any one. cf. Romans 12:9-16; 1 Corinthians 12:25

7

Together In Hebrews

- Hebrews 13:1-3 READ
 - Hebrews 13:18-19, "Pray for us: for we are persuaded that we have a good conscience, desiring to live honorably in all things. 19 And I exhort (you) the more exceedingly to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner."
 - cf. Hebrews 13:24, "Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you."
- We are the family of God! Shouldn't we WANT to see each other face to face?
 cf. 1 Thessalonians 2:17; 3:6, 10; cf. Romans 1:10, 13; 15:23, 29, 32; 2 John 12

8

Together In Hebrews

- This is convenient during this present time ...
 But it is not Better!
- Satan is NOT restricted by the "stay at home" order.
- Hebrews 6:17-18 God keeps His promises. When God makes a promise, be encouraged. "... have a strong encouragement."
- Hebrews 13:5-6, "Be ye free from the love of money; content with such things as ye have: for himself hath said, <u>I</u> will in no wise fail thee, neither will I in any wise forsake thee. So that with good courage we say, The Lord is my helper; <u>I will not fear</u>: What shall man do unto me?"

9



10