

Mission: To help each generation find real life through a relationship with Christ and others.

Whose mission is this? Ours.

Acts 2:42-47

What is church to be?

A Place for everyone.

John 3:16

Everyone loves God and others.

Matthew 22:37-40; John 13: 34-35

Everyone serves God through community.

I Corinthians 12:12-21

Everyone supports what God is doing.

Acts 2:42-47, Malachi 3:10

Everyone is continually changed.

Romans 12:1-2; Acts 2:42-47

Food for thought:

How has God demonstrated His love to you in your life?

What do you love most about your church?

Are there any preconceived ideas about church that need to be changed to better align with scripture?

How has being a part of something greater than yourself helped you grow?

In what ways can you serve God in your church?

Is there anything holding you back from serving?

The LORD is faithful to all his promises and loving toward all he has made. The LORD upholds all those who fall and lifts up all who are bowed down...The LORD is righteous in all his ways and loving toward all he has made. The LORD is near to all who call on him; to all who call on him in truth...he hears their cry and saves them. The LORD watches over all who love him.

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword...No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons,

neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. Romans 8:35, 37-39 (NIV)

This scripture tells us that hardships and persecutions cannot separate us from Christ's love. What have you learned about Christ through the hardships you have faced in your life?

PRAYER TIPS:

Use these prayer tips to talk it over with God:

- Father, the church is your creation and you love it like a husband loves his wife. Help me to have a heart to love my church. Help me to give grace to the church's shortfalls and celebrate its successes. Please remind me that I am your church. I am responsible to show your love to the people around me.
- Father, I ask that you would bless Real Life Church. Give us everything we need to fulfill your calling on our lives. Help us to be a people of vision and courage.