



# THE CREED

## Week 6 Discussion Questions

### SERMON SUMMARY

*This week's sermon focused on the church's role and purpose. Drawing from 1 Peter 2, Pastor Chase highlighted the church's purpose to be driven by the Word of God and to magnify His glory. The sermon also discussed the distinctives of the church as one, holy, Christian, and apostolic, and the importance of baptism as a symbol of the inward reality of salvation. Lastly, Pastor Chase encouraged believers to live with gospel-shaped humility, ecclesiological-driven unity, and missional urgency, reminding us of our role in God's story and the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives.*

### ICEBREAKER

- If you had to explain 'church' to an alien who just landed on Earth, what would you say?

### IDENTITY AND PURPOSE OF THE CHURCH. READ 1 PETER 2:1-10

- How does 1 Peter 2:9-10 describe the identity and purpose of the church
- What does it mean to be a "royal priesthood" and a "holy nation"?
- Reflect on the statement, "The primary purpose of the church is to be driven by the Word of God to magnify the glory of God." How can we apply this purpose in our daily lives?



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### **UNITY AND HOLINESS.** *READ JOHN 17:20-23*

- Why is unity so important for the church, and how can we strive for it while maintaining holiness?
- Discuss the phrase from the Nicene Creed, "*We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic church.*" How do these distinctives shape our understanding of the church's mission?

### **LIVING ON MISSION.** *READ MATTHEW 28:18-20*

- What are some practical ways we can live out our faith and share the gospel with those around us?

### **DIGGING DEEPER.**

- **Read Romans 6:3-4 and Colossians 2:12.** How do these passages describe the significance of baptism as a symbol of new life in Christ?