



Parent Cue: At The Movies

"My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who will believe in me through their message, that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me." - John 17:20-21

WE ARE THE CHURCH WITH A CAPITAL "C"

In the early Church there was a lot of figuring out to do since many people started to become followers of Jesus. Since Jesus' ministry started in the place where the Jewish people lived (Judea), it made sense that a lot of the Jews were among the first to become Christians. But Jesus had told His disciples to go and preach the Gospel to every corner of the world! In the early years of the Church, Greek people also known as Non-Jewish people or Gentiles, were becoming followers of Jesus too. Jewish people were confused on how to react to this because they thought Jesus came only for the Jewish people. They would make Non-Jewish people follow the traditions and rules of Jewish people in order to be considered a real follower of Jesus. But that was not the case and the apostle Paul made it clear that we are all united because of Jesus. Over time, the message became clearer and clearer that there is no difference between people when you surrender your life to God. You move from competition to collaboration, and you move from rejection to acceptance regardless of a person's skin color, background, social status or past mistakes. We are all brothers and sisters in Christ. We are all United in Christ!

Challenge #1: Take a moment to think about the people who are the people around you. Are they exactly like you? Do you ever feel jealous because someone is better at you at sports, or singing, or maybe dancing? Do you ever feel jealous that sometimes your parent(s) treat your siblings or cousins nicer than you on certain occasions? Write or share reasons why you should feel happy to cheer others on. Do you think it's ok to celebrate when good things happen to others?

CHALLENGE #2- MEMORIZE THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE & BOTTOM LINE

THAT ALL OF THEM MAY BE _____, FATHER, JUST AS _____ ARE IN ME AND I AM IN _____.

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Challenge #3: This Sunday or next make plans to meet with someone or a family of a different heritage than yours and plan an activity together or just share a meal together. You'll find that as believers you have a lot more in common than differences. What you'll notice is that through Jesus there is a unexplainable bond that makes you feel close like family. Through Jesus we are all brothers and sisters, children of God.

Challenge #4: This summer we are hosting a lot of fun activities! EPIC SUMMER at Vinings Church is a great way to invite people who normally won't go to Church. From At The Movies, Camp Funadoo, Family Fun Days and more...there's plenty of cool opportunities to invite a person or family! Pray for that one person you will invite this Sunday.

"Father I thank you for loving us. May we be ONE with you and each other today and always!"

Love

Grow

Serve

Share