

How Can I Become A Christian?

1. Admit that God is not first in your life and ask Him to forgive your sins. (*1 John 1:9*)
2. Believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins and that He rose again on Easter and is alive today. (*Romans 10:9*)
3. Accept God's free gift of salvation. Don't try to earn it. (*Ephesians 2:8,9*)
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come into your life and be the director (Lord) of your life. (*John 1:12~13*)

What to pray:

Dear Lord Jesus,
I admit that I am a sinner. Thank you for dying on the cross to pay the penalty for my sin. I now receive You as my Savior and Lord. Take control of my life and make me the kind of person You want me to be. Amen.

How Can I Become A Member of Kenmore Community Church?

1. Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior.
2. Be baptized by immersion if you have not been already.
3. Attend the class "Discovering Church Membership" which is offered periodically through-out the year.
4. Indicate your interest in joining the church on the Communication Card or by calling the church office at 425-486-7487.

DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS OF CHRIST FOLLOWERS Luke 14:1-35

Main Thought: In Luke 14, we discover through the words of Jesus some defining characteristics of Christ followers.

1. _____ & _____ (vv 1-6)
2. _____ (vv 7-11)
3. _____ & _____ (vv 12-14)
4. _____ TO CHRIST'S INVITATION (vv 15-24)
5. TOTAL _____ (vv 25-27)
6. _____ (vv 28-35)

ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS

1. What insight from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening, or troubling? Explain.

2. Read Luke 14:1-6.

1) Where does this story take place and what is the situation Jesus finds himself in?

2) What is dropsy? Look it up if needed.

3) What did Jesus do about the situation and why did the Pharisees remain silent?

4) How does legalism get in the way of loving and serving others in our day?

3. Read Luke 14:7-14

1) What did Jesus notice in Luke 14:7?

2) How did Jesus respond to that situation (Luke 14:8-10)?

3) Have you every seen this kind of thing happen? If so, share.

4) Jesus identifies two important principles in Luke 14:11. Name them.

5) What does it mean to 'exalt oneself?' Give an example.

6) What does it mean to 'humble oneself?' Give an example.

7) Why is humility an important part of being a Christ follower?

4. Read Luke 14:12-13. What do these verses teach you about kingdom values vs. social values? How can we apply these principles today?

5. Read Luke 14:14-23.

1) What prompts Jesus to tell this parable? How does it answer the question of the Pharisee?

2) Who is the banquet giver? Servant? Those who make excuses? The first group of poor people? The second group of poor people?

3) What do you think is the application of the parable for us today?

6. Read Luke 14:25-35

1) Who is Jesus speaking to at this point? Why do you think He tells them about the cost of following Him at this point?

2) In your own words, what is required of those who would follow Jesus?

3) How do these qualities show up in your life?