

## 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 know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. Please come into my life and make me a new person. From now on I want You to be the director of my life. 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.

## HOW TO THINK ABOUT THE CHURCH

**1 Corinthians 3:1~23**

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**Main Thought:** We can learn a lot about how a church should function by studying the word pictures Paul uses to describe the church in 1 Corinthians 3:1~23.

1. The church is a \_\_\_\_\_ and the goal is maturity. (vv 1~4)
2. The church is like a \_\_\_\_\_ and the goal is growth and fruit. (vv 5~9)
3. The church is like a \_\_\_\_\_ and the goal is quality. (vv 9~15)
4. The church is a \_\_\_\_\_ and the goal is to glorify God. (vv 16~17)
5. The church is a \_\_\_\_\_ and the goal is unity. (vv 18~23)

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS**

1. Read 1 Corinthians 3:1~23

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

3. In verses 1~4, Paul describes the church as a family. What words clue us in to this metaphor for the church? Is the church family in Corinth healthy or unhealthy? Why or why not?

4. What can we do to make sure Kenmore is a healthy church family? Consider some of the following verses.

John 13:34

Romans 12:10

Romans 15:5

Romans 15:7

Romans 15:14

Galatians 5:13

Galatians 6:2

Colossians 3:16

1 Thess. 5:11

Hebrews 10:24

5. In verses 5~9, Paul compares the church to a field or garden. Who plants, who waters, who makes it grow?

6. What kind of fruit does God expect from the church? (See Galatians 5:22~23, Matthew 28:18~20)

7. In verses 9~15, Paul compares the church to a building. Who is the foundation? What makes Him the foundation? How is the church like a building under construction? What does it mean to be careful how one builds the church? What do you think the various building materials represent?

8. How do you feel about the quality of your work being revealed on the Day of Judgment? (vv 13~15)

9. In verses 16~17, the church is described as God's temple. What is the purpose of a temple? What implications does that have for how we function and act? What kind of destruction do you think Paul is talking about?

10. In verses 18~23, Paul describes the church as a community. What was tearing the church community apart in Corinth? What wisdom of the world was influencing them? Who is the one and only true leader of the church?

11. What does Paul mean by saying, "all things are yours"? (v 21~22)

12. What are you doing or what will you do to help build up God's church?