

**The Family of God**  
**What it Means to Follow Christ- pt3**  
**1 Timothy 3:15**  
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*1 Timothy 3:15* "I want you to know how people who are members of God's family must live. God's family is the church."

*Genesis 2:18* "It is not good for the man to be alone..."

The Bible gives us **four word pictures**

**1. IT'S LIKE BEING A \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Ephesians 2:20,22* "New believers are like a building that God owns. Jesus is the most important stone in the building and the whole building is joined together in Christ. You are being built into a place where God lives through the Spirit."

*Ephesians 2:21* "We who believe are carefully joined together becoming a holy temple for the Lord."

**Because:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**2. IT'S LIKE BEING A \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Romans 12:4,5* says this "Just as there are many parts to our bodies, so it is with Christ's body. We are all parts of it and it takes every one of us to make it complete for we all have a different work to do. So we belong to each other and each needs all the others."

**three things**

- 1. In a church we're all \_\_\_\_\_.**
- 2. We all have \_\_\_\_\_.**
- 3. We are all \_\_\_\_\_ the body complete.**

**Because:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**3. IT'S LIKE BEING \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Psalm 100:3* says "God made us and we are His. We are His people, the sheep of His pasture."

*Psalm 23:1* "Because the Lord is my shepherd, I have everything that I need."

John 10:11-18 *"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down His life for the sheep."* That's how much you matter to God. Jesus Christ laid down His life for you. *"A hired hand is not the shepherd who owns the sheep, so when the wolf comes he abandons the sheep and runs away and then the wolves attack the flock and scatter it. A hired hand runs away because he cares nothing for the sheep. But I am the good shepherd. I know My sheep and My sheep know Me and I lay down My life for My sheep. My sheep listen to My voice and I know them and they follow Me and I give them eternal life and they shall never perish and no one can ever snatch them out of My hand."*

**Because:** \_\_\_\_\_.

**4. IT'S LIKE BEING** \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Timothy 3:15 says, *"I want you to know how people who are members of God's family must live. God's family is the church."*

Romans 12:10 *"Love each other like brothers and sisters."*

**Because:** \_\_\_\_\_.