

“Re-Think Church”

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Teachability equals my level of eagerness to Learn multiplied by my willingness to Change - **Matt Keller**

We still holding on to things that hold us back.

Most of the things that others resist about church are things that maybe we should resist.

What is the Church?

A community of people who follow the teaching of Jesus.

Application

- Love God
- Love one another
- Love your enemy

Temple Model

- Place
- Text
- Servants
- Followers

The arrival of Jesus signaled the end of the Temple Model and the beginning of something **entirely new**.

- New Movement
- New Covenant

- New Meaning of the Text
 - New Commandment
 - New Meaning of Passover
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Galatians 5 (Judaizers)

6 For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision has any value. The only thing that counts is faith expressing itself through love.

Galatians 5:6

The Jesus model centers on you, serving others.

14 For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.”

Galatians 5:14

Love God...Love your Neighbor

The Jesus Model is not complicated but it is demanding.

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: **Philippians 2:5**

27 Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you. **Luke 6:27**

36 Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.

Luke 6:36

What does love require of me?

Matthew 31-40

- Hungry
- Thirsty

- Stranger
- Needed Clothes
- Sick
- Prison

39 When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ 40 “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

After six days Jesus took with him Peter, James and John the brother of James, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. 2 There he was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and his clothes became as white as the light. 3 Just then there appeared before them Moses and Elijah, talking with Jesus.

4 Peter said to Jesus, “Lord, it is good for us to be here. If you wish, I will put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah.”

5 While he was still speaking, a bright cloud covered them, and a voice from the cloud said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased. Listen to him!”

6 When the disciples heard this, they fell facedown to the ground, terrified. 7 But Jesus came and touched them. “Get up,” he said. “Don’t be afraid.” 8 When they looked up, they saw no one except Jesus.

9 As they were coming down the mountain, Jesus instructed them, “Don’t tell anyone what you have seen, until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead.”

10 The disciples asked him, “Why then do the teachers of the law say that Elijah must come first?”

11 Jesus replied, “To be sure, Elijah comes and will restore all things. 12 But I tell you, Elijah has already come, and they did not recognize him, but have done to him everything they wished. In the same way the Son of Man is

going to suffer at their hands.” 13 Then the disciples understood that he was talking to them about John the Baptist.

Matthew 17:1-11

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