

Jesus Has Left The Building

- Introduction:
1. If we desire to be followers of Jesus, we must leave the building.
 2. God has always called people to a work to which he “sends” them.
 3. That’s not a throw off on what takes place here today, but it does emphasize the importance of “leaving the huddle.”
 4. But we often resist (Exodus 3:8; Numbers 16:13).
 5. Let’s discuss ways to get out of the building, by examining how the first century disciples did it.

I. They Hung OUT

- A. (Mark 3:14) Invited them to be with him that he might send them.
- B. (Acts 2:42-44; 4:32; 5:12-15; Acts 12:12).
- C. We need to spend more time in fellowship, prayer, and study.

II. They Were OUTspoken

- A. (1 Timothy 3:15).
- B. We need to be a moral voice in our community.
- C. (Philippians 2:15) There are many voices, whose voice will be heard?

III. They Heard the OUTcry

- A. They were compassionate.
- B. (Acts 4:32-37).
- C. (Acts 6:1-4).
- D. (Acts 11:29-30).

IV. They Changed their OUTlook

- A. They were ruined for this world.
- B. (Philippians 3:3-9).
- C. (Colossians 3:1-3).
- D. (Galatians 2:20).
- E. (Hebrews 11:10,13-16).

- Conclusion:
1. Remaining in the building is not an option.
 2. We must leave, following Jesus.
 3. What if we stay? We will stop being the vibrant, living church of Jesus Christ, but instead will become a slowly decaying remnant of our former glory.
 4. (Jeremiah 21:8-10).
 - a. That message may be as unpopular today as it was in the days of Jeremiah, but nonetheless, it is true.
 - b. (Jeremiah 5:30-31).