

# **The Temple of God!**

*Church? Why Belong? Why Bother?*

*“in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord.”  
Ephesians 2:21 ESV*

## **God \_\_\_\_\_ Are God’s Presence Through a God Honor Fellowship!**

### **I. The Temple — Dwelling Place of \_\_\_\_\_**

#### **God Presence \_\_\_\_\_**

*“Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation.” These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.”*

*Exodus 19:5–6 ESV*

#### **God Presence in the \_\_\_\_\_**

*“And let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst. Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it.” Exodus 25:8–9 ESV*

(Also: Hebrews 8:5)

#### **God Presence in the \_\_\_\_\_**

*“Now the word of the Lord came to Solomon, “Concerning this house that you are building, if you will walk in my statutes and obey my rules and keep all my commandments and walk in them, then I will establish my word with you, which I spoke to David your father. And I will dwell among the children of Israel and will not forsake my people Israel.””*

*1 Kings 6:11–13 ESV*

#### **God’s Presence in the \_\_\_\_\_**

*“Do you not know that you are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s temple is holy, and you are that temple.” I*

*Corinthians 3:16–17 ESV*

(Also: 1 Corinthians 3:18)

### **II. Our Congregation — God’s Presence in \_\_\_\_\_**

#### **We Represent \_\_\_\_\_**

*“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,”*

*Ephesians 2:19 ESV*

#### **Our Presence is the Overflow of \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus**

*“built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone,”*

*Ephesians 2:20 ESV*

*“According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building upon it. Let each one take care how he builds upon it. For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ.”*

*1 Corinthians 3:10–11 ESV*

**Our Presence Must Be \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Our Presence Reveals the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

*“For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.”*  
2 Corinthians 5:21 ESV

*“In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.”*  
Ephesians 2:22 ESV

**III. Myself—God Presence to \_\_\_\_\_**

**My Commitment to My \_\_\_\_\_**

*“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.”*  
1 Peter 2:9 ESV

*“you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.”*  
1 Peter 2:5 ESV

**My Commitment to \_\_\_\_\_**

*“I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.”*  
Romans 12:1–2 ESV

**My Response to \_\_\_\_\_**

*“Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”*  
1 Peter 2:10 ESV

*“Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul. Keep your conduct among the Gentiles honorable, so that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day of visitation.”*  
1 Peter 2:11–12 ESV

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