

Intro: What is the church?

## Who the Church is:

Week 1 – The church is like a bride.

Week 2 - The church is a spiritual family.

## What the Church does:

This Week – The church is an army.

### 1. The day that you were born you entered a world that is at war.

The war begins.

Isaiah 14:13-14, Genesis 3:14-15, Revelation 12:7-9

The theme of the entire bible is a battle for a kingdom.

### 2. You must choose a side.

You are born as an enemy of God.

Romans 5:8-10

Accepting what Jesus did on the cross is the only way to make peace with God.

Colossians 1:20

Accepting His love makes you a son and a soldier of the living God.

### 3. Knowing your mission.

MISSION #1 - Survive

Endure hardness.

2 Timothy 2:3

You're behind enemy lines.

2 Corinthians 4:4, Ephesians 2:2, 1 Peter 2:11

You also face betrayal from within.

Galatians 5:16-17, 2 Timothy 2:4

MISSION #2 – To Rescue Prisoners  
Galatians 4:3, Matthew 16:18

**Conclusion...**

What side have you chosen?  
James 4:4

Are you fulfilling your mission?

Enduring Hardness  
1 Peter 4:12-13, Romans 8:18

Rescuing Prisoners –  
Isaiah 61