

TRUE VINE WEEKLY



Sermon: Intro to True Vine's 10 Convictions & The Church — When, Who, & Where

Our 10 Convictions

1. Proclaiming the authority of God's word
2. Worshipping God in spirit and truth
3. Believing in the power of prayer
4. Making disciples who make disciples
5. Sharing the gospel of Jesus Christ with boldness
6. Giving generously because God has given to us
7. Serving with our spiritual gifts to build up the body
8. Sending resources and qualified leaders to plant churches
9. Celebrating God's design for marriage, gender and the family
10. Protecting the flock from spiritual threats and wolves

Sermon Recap

The church is not a building or a place we go; it is a body of people. From the very beginning in Acts 1 & 2, we see that the church is formed by those who call on Jesus and are empowered by the Holy Spirit. And it exists anywhere believers abide in Christ. Let's be intentional about being the church described in Acts!



Scripture Reference

Acts 1 & 2 and 1 Corinthians 1:2 & 3:16 are the passages that shaped Sunday's message.

Revisit these passages this week and ask God to open your eyes to what the church truly is and how you are part of it. Notice what stands out and let His Word shape your understanding.



This Week's Keys to Remember

- The church began when the Holy Spirit came in Acts 2.
- The church is people, not a building.
- The church is both local and global—here and everywhere.
- Jesus is the head, and we are the branches connected to Him.



Live it Out

Here are some simple, meaningful ways to move from hearing to doing this week:

- Shift your mindset: When you think about church this week, remind yourself: “I am part of the church.”
- Practice presence: Look for one everyday moment (home, work, store) to live intentionally as a follower of Jesus.
- Encourage someone: Reach out to another believer and remind them they are part of God’s church too.
- Gather intentionally: If possible, spend time with another believer this week for prayer or encouragement.



Scripture to Carry

It’s easy to reduce church to a building or a weekly event you attend. But when we do that, we miss God’s design and limit how we live out our faith. The church is meant to be a Spirit-filled, everyday reality, not just a Sunday experience.

Acts 2:42 says, “And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers.” (ESV)

Write this somewhere you’ll see it daily and ask God to help you live it out.



Around the Table

Consider these questions with family and friends. Talk about them over a meal, or even just think about them on your own:

- What is one thing you learned about the church this week?
- Why do you think God designed the church to be people instead of a place?
- Where do you see opportunities to “be the church” in your everyday life?

Try this simple activity: Have each person name one way they will live as part of God’s church this week.