

Hope in a Broken World
Franklin Heights Church
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Rocky Mount-CrossPointe-Union Hall-Recovery Church-Español

Text: 1 Peter 2:4-12 (ESV)

1. A healthy church is focused on _____.

Matthew 16:18 (ESV)

And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.

1 Peter 2:4 (ESV)

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious,

2. A healthy church is served by _____ people.

1 Peter 2:5 (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.

2 Corinthians 5:17 (ESV)

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

Ephesians 5:18 (ESV)

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,

3. A healthy church is full of _____.

1 Peter 2:6-7 (ESV)

For it stands in Scripture: "Behold, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious, and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame." So the honor is for you who believe, but for those who do not believe, "The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone,"

1 Peter 2:8 (ESV)

and "A stone of stumbling, and a rock of offense." They stumble because they disobey the word, as they were destined to do.

4. A healthy church is on _____ together.

1 Peter 2:9 (ESV)

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.

5. A healthy church is _____.

1 Peter 2:10-11 (ESV)

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. Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.

1 Peter 2:12 (ESV)

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.