

# FINDING YOUR WAY

## TOGETHER—Pastor Rob McArthur

### Scriptures:

#### Matthew 16:18

And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

#### 1 Corinthians 1:10-13

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought. <sup>11</sup> My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. <sup>12</sup> What I mean is this: One of you says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Cephas"; still another, "I follow Christ." <sup>13</sup> Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of Paul?

#### 1 Thessalonians 1:1

To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace and peace to you

#### Acts 8:1-3

On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. <sup>2</sup> Godly men buried Stephen and mourned deeply for him. <sup>3</sup> But Saul began to destroy the church. Going from house to house, he dragged off both men and women and put them in prison.

#### Ephesians 1:23

The church, you see, is not peripheral to the world; the world is peripheral to the church. The church is Christ's body, in which he speaks and acts, by which he fills everything with his presence.

### The Church is:

- The Called-out People of God
- The Gathered People of God
- The Assembled People of God
- The Equipped People of God
- The Sent People of God

### Discussion Questions:

1. Are you the type of person who does things because it's "the right thing to do" without question or are you the type to always question "why" before you make a decision?
2. Identify ways that you have seen the Universal Church make an impact in your world.
3. Identify ways that you have seen the Local Church make an impact in your world.
4. How has your relationship with the local church grown since you have been a part of a FAM group?
5. Which of the five aspects that define the Church do you personally identify with the most? Called-out, Gathered, Assembled, Equipped, or Sent? In regard to these five aspects, where does your understanding need to grow?