



## The Church | Week 3

### Introduction

In week three of our series we want our students to understand that the church offers us all a better place where we can belong. Friend groups, teams, and other groups that we try to belong to can change and sometimes reject us, but once you've been brought into God's family you won't ever be removed.

### Questions

- In what ways have you “shape shifted”, or changed parts of yourself in order to try to belong to a certain group?
  - We all do this in both subtle and obvious ways... why do we do this?  
What did you feel like that group or team could offer you that was so desirable? (*Leaders: use this question to get to the heart of what our students idolize. It may be: status/visibility, influence, connectedness, power etc*)
- Romans 8 describes the idea of being adopted into God's family. What did it take for us to be adopted?
  - Being adopted sons and daughters *WILL* change us. If you reflect on your life, is there change that shows that you belong to God's family?

- If so, have students share about the fruit that the Spirit has produced in their lives. (*Leaders: you can also use this as an opportunity to encourage students with ways you've seen God transform them*)
- Have you experienced the benefits of belonging to God's family through the local church? If so, what has that been like? If not, what might be the reason as to why?