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You are called to belong!



Belong: to be rightly placed in a specified position; to fit in a specified place or environment



You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price 1 Corinthians 6



Old English – *gelang* – at hand; together with

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√ God's family is called the church

✓ We're called to belong to the church



God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure.

Ephesians 1:5



1 Timothy 3:14-15... | am writing these things to you now. Then, even if I am delayed, you will know how to live in the family of God. That family is the church of the living God, the support and foundation of the truth.



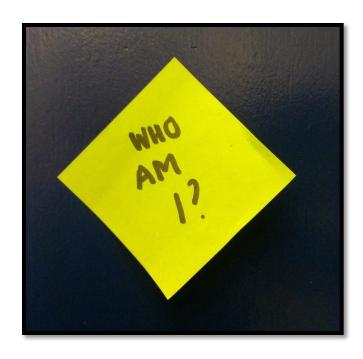
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Connectivity!



Family:

In God's family I learn my true identity!



See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children

1 John 3: 1





A forever family

You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here...









Temple: In God's temple I am supported!





Ephesians 2:21-22
We are carefully joined together in him, becoming a holy temple for the Lord.... where God lives by his Spirit.







When we get together, I want to encourage you in your faith, but I also want to be encouraged by yours.
Romans 1:12



Garden: In God's garden I am productive!



"I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. Remain in me, and I will remain in you...Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing. I have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love" John 15







The local church is the hope of the world

- Bill Hybels

Glory to him in the church and in Christ Jesus through all generations forever and ever!

Ephesians 3: 21



I: identity



S: support



P: productivity







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