



## Good Questions | Why Doesn't Surprise own property?

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### WARM UP

1. Did you attend church growing up? If so, did that church have a clear "mission"?
2. What stood out to you in this week's message?

### DIG IN

3. What kind of a movement does Jesus plan to build in Matthew 16:16-19? How does Peter's desire to build shelters on a mountaintop (Matthew 17:1-4) demonstrate how Jesus' mission is so easily misunderstood?
4. How did Constantine's decision (313 AD) begin shifting Jesus' *ecclesia* into an *kirche*? Why is *kirche* church more comfortable than *ecclesia* church? Why is it less impactful?
5. What are Surprise's goals over the next three years? How could owning a physical property HELP us accomplish that specific mission? How could property HINDER this mission?

### WRAP UP

7. If you're honest, is your faith more oriented toward church as a *kirche* (going to a location for a weekly program) or church as an *ecclesia* (living in a 24/7 movement focused on Jesus' mission for impact)? What is a persona obstacle you need to address to become a more active "apostle" in Jesus *ecclesia*?

### EXTRA CREDIT

Read Ephesians 4:10-13.

- Discuss each of the 5 "APEST" callings that constitute the roles in the Body of Christ.
- Which is your primary calling among the 5?
- Why does *ecclesia* require all five callings, while *kirche* does not?



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This week's question: *Why doesn't Surprise Church own property?*

Matthew 16:16-19 - "On this rock I will build my \_\_\_\_\_."

Matthew 17:1-4 - Peter's first impulse is to build 3 \_\_\_\_\_ to isolate holy people.

- \_\_\_\_\_ mentality

*Ecclesia* in Rome:

Jesus images for his *ecclesia*:

313 AD: Emperor Constantine:

Struggling Christianity:

Andy Stanley: *ecclesia* or *kirche*?

Surprise Church's mission & goals:

If Surprise is an \_\_\_\_\_ we own LOTS of property!

Anne Green & Community Groups

Jesus' apostles: