For the week of January 25, 2015

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**God’s People**

***Fourth week in the series ‘Immortal. Invisible.”***

**1 Peter 2:9-12**

The New Testament describes Christian community as the body of Christ, the temple of God, a gathering of saints who are knit together by love. It is also honest about dysfunction and failure among churches. At times a local church seems indistinguishable from a drowsy book club, and all of us have both good and bad stories about church life. Yet, Christian fellowship is destined to last forever and we are profoundly bound together with other believers by the presence of God’s Spirit. In the message, we hear Steve Zeisler preach on God’s view of the church.

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Church is sometimes little more than a ‘gathering of spectators’. In your experience what are ways to gain vital connection with others in the Body?
2. We make time for get-togethers with extended family and reunions with old classmates. How does the biblical vision of loved ones re-gathered in the age to come help and comfort us in the present?
3. The latest thing, rapid change, and the search for instant excitement characterize the culture we live in. What are the implications for the church?