

**Agape House of Worship
Midweek Service & Bible Study**

Title – The Importance of Being a Hub
Key Scripture: Romans 11:36, Malachi 3:10

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Hub meaning – 1. The central part of a wheel 2. The effective center of an activity, region, or network

Synonyms - focal point, epicenter, core, nerve center, base, heart

Hub examples – airports, train station, financial center, shipping port, universities/colleges, churches

What are the benefits of hubs? Why are hubs important?

- Connect people
- Take people to where they are trying to go
- Provide access to resources
- Teaching & training
- Things are transported and transferred

Theory – When you see the church & yourself as a hub, things begin to shift/change

God is the ultimate hub

God is the hub for all creation - Genesis 1:1 New International Version 1 In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.

Gen. 1:26-27, Gen. 2:7, Psalm 24:1

Romans 11:36 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition ³⁶ For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. [For all things originate with Him and come from Him; all things live through Him, and all things center in and tend to consummate and to end in Him.] To Him be glory forever! Amen (so be it).

From the beginning, God is the hub for everything including light, sky, water, land, trees, plants, stars, animals, birds, people

Jesus is the hub for everything we need

Luke 4:18 New International Version ¹⁸ “The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,

Matthew 11:28 New International Version ²⁸ “Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.

Acts 17:28 New International Version ²⁸ ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’ As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’

Jesus is the hub for salvation (John 10:9), healing (Isaiah 53:5), peace (John 14:27), power (John 1:12), freedom (John 8:36), joy (John 15:11)

The Apostles as a hub

Acts 2:42-47 New International Version The Fellowship of the Believers ⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

The apostles were a hub for teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread, prayer, signs & wonders, and sharing

The Church as a hub

Malachi 3:10 New International Version ¹⁰ Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this," says the Lord Almighty, "and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.

Hebrews 10:25 Amplified Bible, Classic Edition ²⁵ Not forsaking *or* neglecting to assemble together [as believers], as is the habit of some people, but admonishing (warning, urging, and encouraging) one another, and all the more faithfully as you see the day approaching.

James 5:16 New International Version ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

Ephesians 5:19 Amplified Bible ¹⁹ Speak to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, [offering praise by] singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord;

The church is a hub for resources, assembly, encouraging, confession, praying, healing, speaking, singing

The Hub Cycle



- Something happens when you connect to the right hub for you
- When you connect to the right hub - you strengthen the hub
- When you connect to the right hub - the hub strengthens you
- As you are strengthened you become a hub for others
 - Responsibility - Luke 12:48
 - Love - John 13:34-35, 1 John 4:7