

## **Lesson 4 – “Questions that Keep People Away from Church”**

### **“What’s Involved in Church Membership?”**

#### **The writer of Hebrews gets us started in this lesson:**

*" Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way opened for us through the curtain, that is, his body, and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us draw near to God with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:19-25, NIV)*

**Question: What do we normally associate with membership in any group or organization?**

- a. Dues...**
- b. Responsibilities...**
- c. Service...**
- d. Attendance...**

**Question: Why would anyone be concerned with becoming a member of the church?**

- a. Not really sure as to what would be involved.**
- b. Unwilling to make a long time commitment.**
- c. Feeling uneasy about our ability to contribute.**
- d. Afraid that we would have nothing to offer the group.**
- e. Feeling unworthy to be a part of anything so holy as the church.**