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The Challenges of the Church

1. Theodore Roosevelt is quoted saying “Nothing in the world is worth having or worth doing unless it means effort, pain, [and] difficulty...” Name one thing you found challenging in your life but it was still worth doing.
2. Would anyone like to share how they have been personally impacted by the increase in fractured families? (High divorce rates, single motherhood, etc...)
3. What are some of the things that are causing our lives to be so much busier than they were a generation ago?
4. If someone asked you, “why do you spend time attending church and serving in the church?” How would you respond?
5. Share a few ways your life is different now that you are saved and are a part of a church.
6. Read Acts 1:8. How do we know if we are relying on power from the Holy Spirit to work on God’s mission to spread the Gospel to the whole world?
7. Read Matthew 16:18. What do you think our attitude should be in light of Jesus’ promise that the church’s mission will not ultimately fail? Pessimistic or Optimistic? Explain.
8. Read Acts 20:24. What do you admire about Paul’s attitude toward his life?
9. What have you learned about the church in this series?
10. Name something that you would like to know more about after hearing this series. What will you do next to learn more about it?

Take prayer requests for our church and spend time praying through them as a group.