

## **Forsaking the Church**

Sunday Morning, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024

### **Text: Matthew 16:18; Hebrews 10:14, 17-25**

- Picture – Church Attendance Decline
- Picture – Church Attendance by Generation
- Matthew 16:18
- Acts 2:47
- Acts 20:28
- Ephesians 5:25
- Colossians 1:18
- 1 Timothy 3:15

### **1. Do Not Forsake Coming to Church**

- Hebrews 10:25
- 2 Thessalonians 2:1
- Luke 4:16
- Luke 6:6
- Luke 13:10
- Deuteronomy 6:4–5

### **2. Common Excuses for Forsaking the Church**

- 1 Corinthians 14:33, 40
- 2 Thessalonians 3:6
- Colossians 2:5
- Titus 1:5–6
- Acts 1:4, 6, 12-15, 21, 2:1, 14, 44, 3:1
- Acts 20:7
- 1 Corinthians 5:4
- 1 Corinthians 11:18
- 1 Corinthians 11:20
- Jude 18–19
- 1 John 2:19
- 1 John 3:14
- 1 John 4:21
- Psalm 122:1
- John 13:35
- Matthew 12:47–50

### **3. The Strength and Support from the Unforsaken Church**

- Hebrews 10:24
- 1 Peter 5:8
- Picture of Lion
- 2 Timothy 4:10