

Sermon Series

Place

Rooted, Uprooted,
Re-Routed



Ekklesia

Verb: to call out, call forth, summon

Noun: a duly constituted public assembly
or gathering



Paul, called to be an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and our brother Sosthenes,
To the *ekklesia* of God in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus and called to be his holy people, together with all those everywhere who call on the name of our Lord Jesus Christ—their Lord and ours: Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 1:1-3



Paul, Silas, and Timothy,
To the *ekklesia* of the Thessalonians in
God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:
Grace and peace to you.

1 Thessalonians 1:1



Paul, an apostle—sent not from men nor by a man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father, who raised him from the dead—and all the brothers and sisters with me,

To the *ekklesia* in Galatia:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins to rescue us from the present evil age, according to the will of our God and Father, to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Galatians 1:1-5



**What does the metaphor of
ekklesia say about the church?**



Ekklesia

Dynamic
Locational
Called
Public



However little this happening can be commanded by human beings, it nevertheless expresses itself in permanent forms and institutions. Where the church is an event, the institution comes into being and will continue to do so in the expectation that the Lord will continue to make his presence real.

-Moises Silva



The new citizenship does not mean loss of earthly citizenship...It creates a new relationship alongside the old, opening up a new dimension in the midst of of this world. The differences still exist, but in Christ they lose the divisive power that prevents unity and fellowship.

-Moises Silva



**What does Artisan talk about or
do that matters to the lower
mainland?**



Observations on “us” via Place Series

- Spiritual dislocation
- Housing insecurity
- Dependency on creation
- Celebration and connection



Observations on “us” via Place Series

- Gifts and empty hands
- Church not service providers
- Likeminded organizations
- Celebrations and connection
- Healing and caring for caregivers



**How does/could this community
equip you to embody the life of
Jesus in your neighbourhood or
place of work?**

