Why Join the Church?

O1 Remember back to when you joined the church. What motivated you to join back then and what motivates you now to stay with the church?

02 Imagine your group was asked to create a video for promotion, inviting people to join your church. What ideas do you have? What might you come up with?

03 Read 1 Peter 2:4-10

04 What are the two key metaphors used by Peter in verses 4-10? What does Paul mean by them?

05 What responsibility does God's household have in verses 5?

06 Paul quotes three OT passages in verses 6-8 – these are Isaiah 28:16; Psalm 118:22; Isaiah 8:14. What does Peter say is fulfilled in Christ in these three passages?

07 What can we learn about God's purpose for his church, based on the four names Peter gives in verse 9?
O8 Imagine that your group did such a great job of creating the previous video promotion that they are asking you again. However, this time particularly draw upon verses 4-10 for inspiration.
10 What are some reasons people decide to leave the church or not join the church?
11 In what ways could we respond to these concerns?
12 Pray for each other.