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WHY DO I GO TO CHURCH?

I hear people say, "I don't get anything out of it so why should I go? What would you say to them? After all, it is a choice of free will. I think to myself, what do you put into it? Do you invest yourself? I go because I need to be nourished by the word of God and the Eucharist. But for me there is something I consider to be just as valuable, and that is you. As much as I need to hear the liturgy of the word, and share a heavenly meal with all of you, I draw strength from you, I hear you sing, I hear your responses to God. I see your faith in your faces as you come to receive the body and blood of Christ. I am humbled to be with my brothers and sisters who have that loving relationship with Jesus. I need that community of believers, your faith is infectious, you deepen my faith, you help me along the way on the journey of life. By your presence, you give to me and to others and you don't even know it. I like to think we all help each other in our faith journey called life. Why do you go to Church? Do I invest myself in my relationship with Jesus?