



Discussion Guide
Church — Part 1
PARTICIPANT GUIDE

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"To the average church God is desirable and maybe even useful, but he is not necessary. Most of our churches can get on without God. "

[A.W. Tozer]

ENGAGE & CONNECT ||

What church tradition or practice have you seen that surprised you the most?

BEGIN WITH PRAYER ||

Spirit of Christ, please give us discontent with things we've settled for that are less than what You have for us. Let us want more of You.

MEMORIZING SCRIPTURE ||

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

[Hebrews 10:24-5, ESV]

BIG IDEA ||

The true church—as constituted by Jesus—is *still* a force to be reckoned with.

PASSAGE & DISCUSSION ||

Acts 1:1-11

1. Why did Jesus spend more time on Earth after His resurrection?
2. Why didn't they get to know the times and seasons that would answer their question?
3. What hope did the two men leave the disciples with as soon as Jesus ascended?
4. What does this passage teach us about what Jesus is like?
5. How is your story better now than where it was headed before Christ?
6. What would church service look like if God wasn't present? What is different when He is?
7. Why is it important to have both freedom to question AND receive correction?

8. When have you been witness to who Jesus is?

9. Are you growing in your understanding of Jesus as we meet together?

STEP OF OBEDIENCE ||

Just because we believe something is true **doesn't mean we've done something about it.**

As you consider your next step, reflect on: 1) Which do you actually want more: what you want, or what God wants? 2) How are those things different? 3) How can you pursue what God wants this week?

PRAYER FOCUS ||

"Jesus, help us to be witnesses of who You are and of Your way, instead of witnesses to only what is normal and what is our way. Amen."