

### TLC Home Group Expectations

- **Please start and end on time.** If you'd like to provide an atmosphere of fellowship, it's better that you provide this at the end to allow people who have to leave the opportunity to do so.
  - **Allow silence.** Allow room for others to contemplate and even feel uncomfortable when asking someone to read, within group prayer, or when throwing out a question. Please don't rush in just to fill the space. Allow God to do what only He can.
  - **When sharing, make it about you and what God is revealing about you and or Him.** Please allow room for others to share (don't dominate).
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## THE CHURCH

***"If the Holy Spirit was withdrawn from the church today, 95 percent of what we do would go on and no one would know the difference. If the Holy Spirit had been withdrawn from the New Testament church, 95 percent of what they did would stop, and everybody would know the difference". AW Tozer***

As we discuss the church, this is a time to process and discuss the church as God defines it, that we are all members, how God is using the church in our life, and our individual roles through gifting. This isn't a time to vent about what the church isn't, preference, or what we'd like the church to look like. While it's okay to acknowledge the challenging moments or brokenness of the church, the focus should remain on how God designed the church and our role and responsibility within.

Which would be more difficult for you to go a week without?

- Phone
- Vehicle

At what time of day or night are you most productive?

- Morning
- Afternoon
- Night
- After midnight

What was your first experience with church? How old were you, why were you there, what was your experience like, etc?

In Matthew 16, Jesus reveals that the church is His, he builds it and that it cannot be overcome. Acts 2 reveals the birth of the church through the Holy Spirit. Romans 12 indicates that we (as believers) in Christ form one body, each belonging to each other and having a role within the body. To process the questions below, read Romans 12:1-8.

- How has God used His church in your life?
- How integral is His church to your life?
- God compares the human body to His church indicating each body has many members with different functions. 1 Corinthians 12 indicates every believer has a definite ministry. How integral are you to His church?

Comment on and discuss the quote by AW Tozer. A Holy Spirit-filled church is reflective of a Holy Spirit-filled people. According to scripture, what is the evidence of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life?

What quenches the Holy Spirit (1 Thessalonians 5:19)?

What would you like to bring before God in prayer?