



Connecting in Community

Main Scripture: Hebrews 10:23-25

What is the church?

(Eph 4:4-6, 15-16, 1:19-23, 2:19-22; Rom 16:1; 1 Cor 1:2, 12:27)

A common identity

(Jn 1:12-13, 20:21; Eph 2:14-16, 5:23; Mat 28:18-20)

Meet regularly

(Heb 10:24-25)

Defined leadership

(Mat 16:18; Eph 5:23, 4:11-13; Act 14:23, 20:25-31; Titus 1:15;
1 Tim 3:1-13; 1 Pet 5:1-4; Heb 13:17; 1 Thes 5:12-13)

Perform the ordinances

(Rom 6:1-10, Gal 3:27, 1 Pet 3:21)

Pursue God's purposes

How does Heartland be the church?

The biblical pattern

(Act 5:42, 2:46-47)

Two-wing church

(Eph 4:11-13, 15-16)



We will fulfill our created purpose as we revere and enjoy God in all we do, worshiping Him in spirit and in truth. We will live desiring His presence, depending on His power, aligning with His purpose and being obedient to His Word. We will call out to Him personally and corporately, with expectation that He will answer.

***We will live life together in small groups,
knowing others and being known.
We will live lives of transparency and
accountability at every level,
speaking the truth in love.***



We will become whole people through Christ's life in us. We will live as Kingdom people under the filling and control of the Holy Spirit, carrying out God's plan here on this earth.

We will meet the practical needs of our community and serve our church by giving sacrificially of our time and resources, with no strings attached. We will equip ourselves by developing and using all the gifts, becoming the hands and feet of Jesus.



We will share the message of Jesus Christ in word and deed throughout our community, planting churches as we go. We will go, and partner with others who go, around the world to take the gospel to those who have not heard.

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The Small Group Sermon Study
Hebrews 10:23-25

Opening Prayer: Father, in Jesus' name, through the Holy Spirit, come and speak to us, teach us and transform us as we read, discuss and reflect on Your word.

1. Big picture: what did you like or appreciate about this message?
2. Read the key passage(s) of Scripture from the message and review the points from the sermon notes, then answer the following questions:
 - a. What does this passage and message tell us about our small group – our 'mini-church'? Was there anything that stood out to you that would be good for our group to talk about?
 - b. Which of the five values needs a boost this year in our small group? How can we enhance this value? (Spend a few minutes in listening prayer together, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you about His ideas.)
3. What spiritual gifts are evident within our small group?
 - a. Do you feel you know your spiritual gifts, and what are they?
 - b. Do you feel a freedom to express them within our group? How can we encourage and empower you to develop these gifts even more?
4. What don't you understand or what other questions does this passage make you ponder?

Silently re-read the key Scripture(s) from the message, asking the Holy Spirit to speak to you.

5. What emotions does this passage, or the key theme, stir up in you?
6. What do you need to surrender to Jesus? How will you respond to what God is showing you?

Prayer: Spend time praying for one another (that we would grow in our love for God and others, that we would be transformed by what God has revealed, that we would be alert and obedient to God, etc.).

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7. What verse, phrase, word or challenge do you need to take with you this week? How will you act on what you've heard?

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