

GROUP STUDY GUIDE

WEEK OF NOVEMBER 6, 2022 | WE ARE TRADERS POINT: WE HELP PEOPLE KNOW GOD

Throughout our series, We Are Traders Point, we're looking at who we are as a church, what we do, and why we do it. These group discussions will guide you through conversations about the church but also about God's heart for you. At the end of each discussion, you'll see a section called, "Put It in Action." This provides tangible ways you can live out our church values together as a group.

WARM-UP QUESTION

What first brought you to Traders Point?

DISCUSS

AT TRADERS POINT, WE HELP PEOPLE KNOW GOD.

- Have someone read John 17:3 out loud. Have someone else read Matthew 28:18-20.
- How do these verses expand your understanding of what knowing God means? What words or phrases stand out to you?

AT TRADERS POINT, WE EXIST TO REMOVE UNNECESSARY BARRIERS THAT KEEP PEOPLE FROM JESUS.

- When you see the word 'unnecessary,' what comes to mind? What examples of unnecessary barriers have you seen in church settings?
- What barriers do you think are necessary for a church to have?
- Read <u>Ephesians 2:14-15</u>. What words or phrases stand out to you? How do they encourage or challenge you personally?

AT TRADERS POINT, WE GATHER.

- Read Hebrews 10:23-25. How are you personally challenged by these verses?
- Have you ever found yourself neglecting the gathering? How did it impact your relationship with God and with others?

AT TRADERS POINT, WE SCATTER.

- In your own life, where do you "scatter" to multiply the message of Jesus and help others see and know Him?
- If you were to do this more intentionally, what would it look like?

AT TRADERS POINT, WE STAY ON MESSAGE.

- Read John 17:9-11, 20-21. What are your thoughts on the quote, "Churches move at the speed of unity"? Have you ever seen this happen? Explain.
- What do you think God is asking you to do personally when it comes to fostering unity in the church?

PUT IT IN ACTION

How can your group know God and help others know God this week? Here are a few ideas:

- Close your group time by assessing the unity within your group. Where do you see gaps or
 potential unnecessary barriers? If there are any, spend some time praying for God to reveal
 a next step that needs to be taken, whether carving out time for an honest discussion or
 committing to personal time with God this week where each individual reflects, prays, and
 asks God to reveal where they need to confess and align their heart with His. Come
 prepared next week to share what God showed you.
- Read <u>Daily Bible Reading</u>, and check in with each other throughout the week to share what you're learning.
- Do something as a group for one of your neighbors, or if you're spread out geographically, pair up with group members near you to help a neighbor so they can see a glimpse of God through you. Visit <u>tpcc.org/neighboring</u> for ideas.

Our group's plan is: