



# GROUP STUDY GUIDE

**WEEK OF NOVEMBER 13, 2022 | WE ARE TRADERS POINT:  
WE HELP PEOPLE FIND LIFE-GIVING RELATIONSHIPS**

*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's your favorite activity to do with friends or family?

## **DISCUSS**

### **AT TRADERS POINT, WE HELP PEOPLE FIND LIFE-GIVING RELATIONSHIPS.**

- What do you think makes a relationship life-giving? Have you experienced this type of relationship in your own life? Share what you appreciated about it.

### **AT TRADERS POINT, WE GATHER CONSISTENTLY IN COMMUNITY AND ARE DEVOTED TO RELATIONSHIP.**

- Read Acts 2:42-47.
- What do you observe about the early church's consistency to gather in community?
- Would you say consistency is a strength or weakness in your own life? What could you do to become more consistent to gather in life-giving community than you are now?
- The word 'devoted' is used in verse 42 to describe the church's commitment to gathering. What would you say it means to be devoted to something? What examples of devotion do you see in other areas of life?
- Scan back through all of the verses. What specific activities did the early church do in relationship? Consider making a list. Of all of these, is there one you would like to do more than you are currently?

### **AT TRADERS POINT, WE PRACTICE THE POWER OF PRESENCE.**

- What do you think the power of presence means? What does it look like?
- Have you ever experienced the power of presence in your own life, particularly when you've walked through a difficult situation or season? How did someone else's presence help you?
- Is there anyone you know who could use the power of presence in their own life? What step could you take to provide that for them?

## **PUT IT IN ACTION**

How can your group foster life-giving relationships this week? Here are a couple ideas:

- Look back through the list of activities the early church did in Acts 2. Is there one you don't typically do in your group or haven't done in a long time? What would it look like to add that activity as a group rhythm, whether weekly, monthly, or quarterly? Talk through tangible next steps you'll take to make that happen.
- If someone came up during your conversation on the power of presence, whether a group member who's walking through a hard time or someone close to a group member, is there something tangible your group could do to provide encouragement? Examples include writing notes, collecting gift card donations, or showing up to help with yardwork or housework. Talk about ways you could pool your resources (time, talent, treasure) to bring the power of presence to someone who's struggling this week.

**Our group's plan is:**