

## Home Church (Part 2)

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- **Call to Action: Scripture Reading**

Reading scripture aloud is biblical practice that helps us get a sense of what is being said and experienced. Take a moment for someone, or even everyone to read the Scripture out loud. Cf. 1 Timothy 4:13; Revelation 1:3

*\*If you are by yourself, we still invite you to read the text given out loud.*

### **Colossians 3:12-17**

*12 Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, 13 bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another, forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. 14 And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. 15 And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful. 16 Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. 17 And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.*

**Church** (Greek, *ecclesia*) is a gathering of people, but for a Christians it is a gathering of “called out ones.” Cf. Matthew 16:18; Acts 20:28-32; 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 2:20-22; Colossians 1:18

**Matthew 10:5-6**, Cf. Matthew 15:24

**Acts 2:14-41**

**Acts 8-9**, Cf. Galatians 1:16-18

**Acts 10**

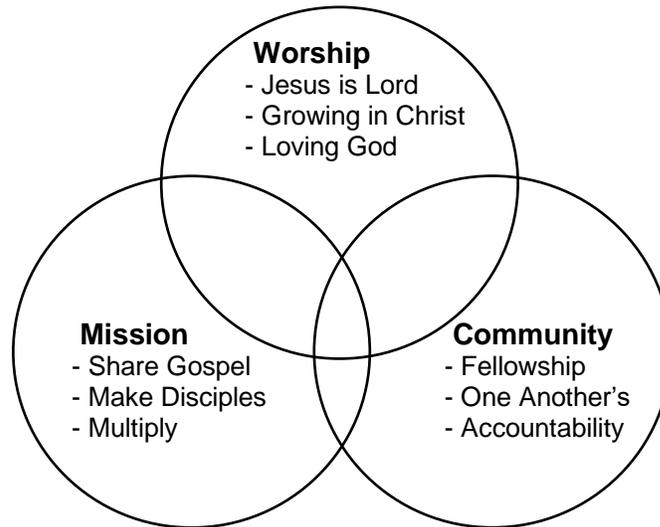
**Acts 15:1-11**, Cf. Galatians 2:1-10

### **Galatians 2:1-10**

1 Then after fourteen years I went up again to Jerusalem with Barnabas, taking Titus along with me. 2 I went up because of a revelation and set before them (though privately before those who seemed influential) the gospel that I proclaim among the Gentiles, in order to make sure I was not running or had not run in vain. 3 But even Titus, who was with me, was not forced to be circumcised, though he was a Greek. 4 Yet because of false brothers secretly brought in—who slipped in to spy out our freedom that we have in Christ Jesus, so that they might bring us into slavery— 5 to them we did not yield in submission even for a moment, so that the truth of the gospel might be preserved for you. 6 And from those who seemed to be influential (what they were makes no difference to me; God shows no partiality)—those, I say, who seemed influential added nothing to me. 7 On the contrary, when they saw that I had been entrusted with the gospel to the uncircumcised, just as Peter had been entrusted with the gospel to the circumcised 8 (for he who worked through Peter for his apostolic ministry to the circumcised worked also through me for mine to the Gentiles), 9 and

when James and Cephas and John, who seemed to be pillars, perceived the grace that was given to me, they gave the right hand of fellowship to Barnabas and me, that we should go to the Gentiles and they to the circumcised. 10 Only, they asked us to remember the poor, the very thing I was eager to do.

**The church is those who are called out for a purpose to worship, establish community, and be on mission.**



### **Only Worship: Hypocrisy**

If our spiritual life is confined to a privatized worship but does not lead us into mission or into deep relationships with others we face the threat of hypocrisy.

### **Only Community: Idolatry**

If we engage in relationship but fail to submit those relationships to Jesus or live those relationships in the light of the mission of God, then we risk idolatry.

### **Only Mission: Pride**

If our spiritual life is confined to independently pursuing mission but not accountable friendships or dependence on God, then we risk becoming our own God.

Go to [www.my1116.info/home-church](http://www.my1116.info/home-church)

### **What is a Home Church?**

Home Church is people gathering weekly to participate in the biblical elements of corporate worship: singing, prayer, teaching, giving, communion, and baptism. Each Home Church is guided by the leadership of Eleven Sixteen Church through our live stream. While each group may have some small differences, every Home Church leader goes through a training process and is overseen by the pastoral team. This is to ensure we maintain unity in mission, core values, and vision of Eleven Sixteen Church.

It is also our desire that each Home Church would engage in missions and fellowship outside of Sunday Service.

### **Why are we doing Home Church?**

Christians are called to evangelize and make disciples--that mission never changes. While large group gatherings at our current location are on hold, Hebrews 10:25 instructs us to "not neglect meeting together." Home Church gives us a unique opportunity to continue doing that, just in smaller circles, while keeping our focus on the mission and vision Jesus has given. As we adapt and experiment, we believe this could have a huge impact in preparing us for our vision to replant churches.

While many are reactive to the circumstances we face, we want to be as proactive as possible. Here is what we hope to accomplish:

- 1) Produce a greater faith community that are fused with the core values of Eleven Sixteen Church (Diverse, Relational, Equipping, Authentic, and Missional).
- 2) Prepare people to be sent as missionaries.

### **• Call to Action: Communion**

Communion is a way to self-examine and focus on the body and blood of Jesus. We invite every believer to take some time to reflect, repent, and respond through communion. Cf. 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

*\*Bread and wine are used in the scripture references above (use what you have). These elements are symbolic: the bread representing the body of Jesus who came and the wine representing the blood Jesus shed on the cross.*

### **• Call to Action: Prayer**

Prayer is how we communicate with God. Prayers can be for personal request, others, or giving thanks to God. Take some time to pray for each other and other request shared. Cf. 1 Timothy 2:1; 1 John 5:14

*\*If you are by yourself, you can still share prayer request in the video comment section. We have chat host that would love to connect with you.*