

TRUE NORTH

NAVIGATING YOUR RELATIONAL WORLD

GROUP STUDY GUIDE

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MAIN IDEA

Rich Christian community is rooted in prayer and reading the Word, both individually and collectively.

WELCOME 10 MINUTES

What was a season in your life you felt closest to God? If it's currently, what is driving it? If it was in the past, what were you pursuing in that season that you could recapture?

WORD 35 MINUTES

1. Read John 8:31 and Acts 2:42-47. As a community, what kind of things were the believers devoted to?
2. What were some of the results from their time together?
3. What sticks out to you as you read these two passages?
4. Why do you think it would matter for the believers to be devoted to prayer and the apostles' teaching?
5. What do you find helpful or useful about reading the Bible? What do you find difficult?

6. What does prayer mean to you and why does it matter? What things hinder you from regular prayer?
7. What kinds of things could you imagine the group reading in Scripture or praying about?

WORSHIP 10 MINUTES

As a group, we always want to maintain focus on why we're here: to love God, love people, serve others, and reach others. We're always learning how to do that, and seeking scripture and prayer are important pieces of that process. Take some time for everyone in the group to pray out loud about how the group will grow in faith. It's okay if it feels a little awkward right now. We'll feel more comfortable doing this over time.

WORKS 5 MINUTES

Let's put this lesson into action. Talk to your group about your plan for spending time in the Word and in prayer outside of the group. Our spiritual relationships together will grow deeper as our personal relationship with God grows deeper.