10 Days of Prayer 2019 - Day# 5

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"Where two or three are gathered!"

Welcome to Day 5 of our 10 Days of Prayer!

Yesterday we were praying about the church as an Authentic loving community that manifests the genuine love, nature, glory and goodness of God.

Naturally, thoughts of community lead me to think about actually meeting together, and doing so in small groups. Impact groups are amazing places of connection and communion with one another and with the Lord.

In spite of this, Hebrews 10:25 tells us that there are some people who are actually in the habit of giving up on meeting together with the rest of the church.

Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

"not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

The truth is, there is a special promise given to those who do gather together in His name.

Matthew 18:20 (NKJV) "For where two or three are gathered together in My name, I am there in the midst of them."

Meeting together can look like many different things, but in the early church we constantly see that they met in the temple (in the big group meeting), and they met in houses (face to face, getting involved in each others lives).

Acts 5:42 (NIV)

Day after day, in the temple courts and from house to house, they never stopped teaching and proclaiming the good news that Jesus is the Messiah.

Talking about the meetings that the Corinthians had Paul said, "when you do come together "each of you has a hymn, or a word of instruction, a revelation, a tongue or an interpretation." He spoke to a community that was excited to gather together and minister to one another. Let's pray this also is true about our Impact groups. That we as God's people would come together on purpose, each one coming ready to participate, to experience Jesus and share what God gives us to share. Let's pray that our groups and our meetings are explosive places of encounter as we encourage and edify one another .. house to house, face to face!

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Prayer Directives

- A vision for a truly connected and integrated church life and all its blessings and benefits takes root in each of us.
- Our small group meetings are marked and characterized by encounters with Jesus and the enjoyment of His presence.
- Each one would manifest proficiency and love in bringing to each meeting something to bless and build up the family of God. That we would all be givers and sharers of the blessings we have, and enthusiastically look for these opportunities.
- That in our group relationships and encounters, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we would effectively and powerfully manifest the genuine love of God that only His family is able to demonstrate to the world.