

Life Groups - w/b 20 September 2026

Grow As Family: Share Life – Grow in Faith

Icebreaker

What's one of your favourite memories of doing life with other people?

Maybe a meal, a holiday, a difficult season, a celebration, or simply a funny moment.

Read - Romans 12:4-13, Acts 2:42-47

These passages give us a picture of what Christian community can look like.

In Romans, Paul describes the church as **one body with many members** – different people, personalities, gifts and stories, but belonging to one another. He then gets practical: *be devoted to one another, honour one another, care for one another and practise hospitality.*

In Acts, the early church devoted themselves to **teaching, fellowship, eating together and prayer**. Faith wasn't something they simply studied; it was something they lived together.

Discuss

1. SHARE LIFE – What does it actually mean to “share life” with other Christians?

Paul says we should **notice one another, care for one another and make room for one another**.

Which of those comes most naturally to you? Which is more difficult?

2. Think about your own experience of community.

Can you share a time when someone in a Christian community **noticed you, cared for you or made room for you** when you needed it?

What difference did it make?

3. GROW IN FAITH – How can we help one another become more like Jesus?

Looking at Acts 2, what do you notice about the way the early Christians grew together?

How could **Word, Table and Prayer** become more of a reality in our Life Groups?

4. MAKE ROOM – Who isn't currently part of our circle?

The talk described Christian hospitality defined as *Philoxenia* “**love for the stranger**” – making space for people who aren't naturally part of our circle.

Who might God be inviting us to notice, welcome or make room for?

5. RESPONSE – What could you do differently?

If our Life Groups are to be places where we **share life and grow in faith**, what is one thing you could bring to the community?

Your **home, story, gifts, prayers, encouragement, time, food, mess – or your life?**

Pray

Pray that your Life Group would become a place where:

**the lonely find family,
the stranger becomes a friend,
the broken are carried,
and people don't just hear about Jesus – they see what life with Jesus looks like.**

