

# Winter School of Truth 2020

## Group Guide

### Lesson Ten —Key Topics Of The Bible (4)— The Church

#### **Background:**

There are countless misunderstandings concerning the matter of the church among people today. Even among us there are many improper concepts and thoughts. The church is something so much on the heart of God in His eternal purpose.

#### **Burden to Impart:**

Whenever we come to the matter of the church we have to seize the opportunity to be brought into the heart of God and the deep longing within Him to have the church built up on the earth. While we present the points on this lesson, we have to bring the saints to love the church and to give themselves to God's purpose and dive into the practical church life in their locality.

#### **Focus:**

The vision of the church cannot be repeated enough. The burden in this lesson is to remind the saints of the crucial truths related to the church in God's economy. These reviews should inspire and equip the saints in a fresh way concerning all the revelations and crucial truths in the Lord's recovery in a practical and living way. They themselves need to be in the church in a practical way and need to be burdened to bring their friends to the church life too.

#### **Points for serving ones to consider**

The below points are suggestions that may be useful for the servings ones to prepare for the group time. These points are suggestions to help bring out fellowship concerning the burden of the message. Do not feel you that you need to go through all of them.

1. What verse in the New Testament tells us that the church was hidden in God? How long was it hidden and to whom has it been made known?
2. The Greek word for church is "Ecclesia", what is the meaning of this word?
3. Can you share an example of when your life or someone else's life was changed related to participating in the meetings of the church? How does this match Gods desire?
4. The church is God's house (Gods family) and the Body of Christ; give a practical example how we can honor Christ as the Head of the Body and how can we maintain a proper relationship with the all the other members?
5. Describe your experience, positive and negative, of fellowship among your own family.
6. Have some prayer as a family/group and ask the Lord to infuse you with His heart for the church and that we would be those living in the church life, having fellowship with all the members and being build up with one another.

#### **Ministry Reading, Questions and Memory Verses**

The ministry reading, questions and memory verses are listed in the handbooks and should be used consideration of the capacity of the group you are shepherding. We hope that there would be opportunity in each group time to read a little of the chapter as much as time and capacity allows.

#### **READING ASSIGNMENT:**

*The Bible—The Word of God*, lesson 9, Roman I  
<https://www.ministrybooks.org/alphabetical.cfm?s=L>