

RELATIONSHIP *With Jesus*

GOD MADE YOU TO KNOW HIM!

He loves you and wants a relationship with you. That is why Jesus came and died. Our sin separates us from God but Jesus's death and resurrection made a way for us to come back to God and know His love, forgiveness and nearness. The blood He shed on the cross covers your sins, sets you free, and heals your wounds as you continually surrender your life to Him!

Whether you're just starting to follow God or you've known God for a long time, *below are a few ways you can connect with Him and grow in your relationship with Him:*

Set aside 15 minutes a day for
worship, word, and prayer.

FIRST FIVE MINUTES

Worship by thanking God for who He is, what He is doing in your life and the things He's given you. Say these out loud or write it down. You can also worship by reading a Psalm from the Bible or singing along to a worship song. Thankfulness takes us into God's Presence!

SECOND FIVE MINUTES

Spend time reading God's Word. The Bible is powerful and as we read and obey it, it transforms our lives! Reading the book of John is a great place to start (or any book of the New Testament!). If anything you read sticks out to you, underline or highlight it. This can be something you meditate over, or chew on, throughout the day. Also, ask yourself these questions:

- **WHAT DOES THIS TEACH ME ABOUT GOD?**
- **WHAT DOES THIS TEACH ME ABOUT PEOPLE?**
- **HOW CAN I APPLY THIS TO MY LIFE THIS WEEK?**

THIRD FIVE MINUTES

Spend time in prayer. Prayer is a conversation with God, speaking to Him and leaving space to listen. If prayer is new for you, begin by praying for yourself, about the things God is doing in you and what you would like to see. Then begin praying over your family and friends, your city and the nation.

WAY TO GO!

You just grew in your relationship with God! He promises that as we seek Him, we will find Him! Don't stop! He has so much in store for your life.

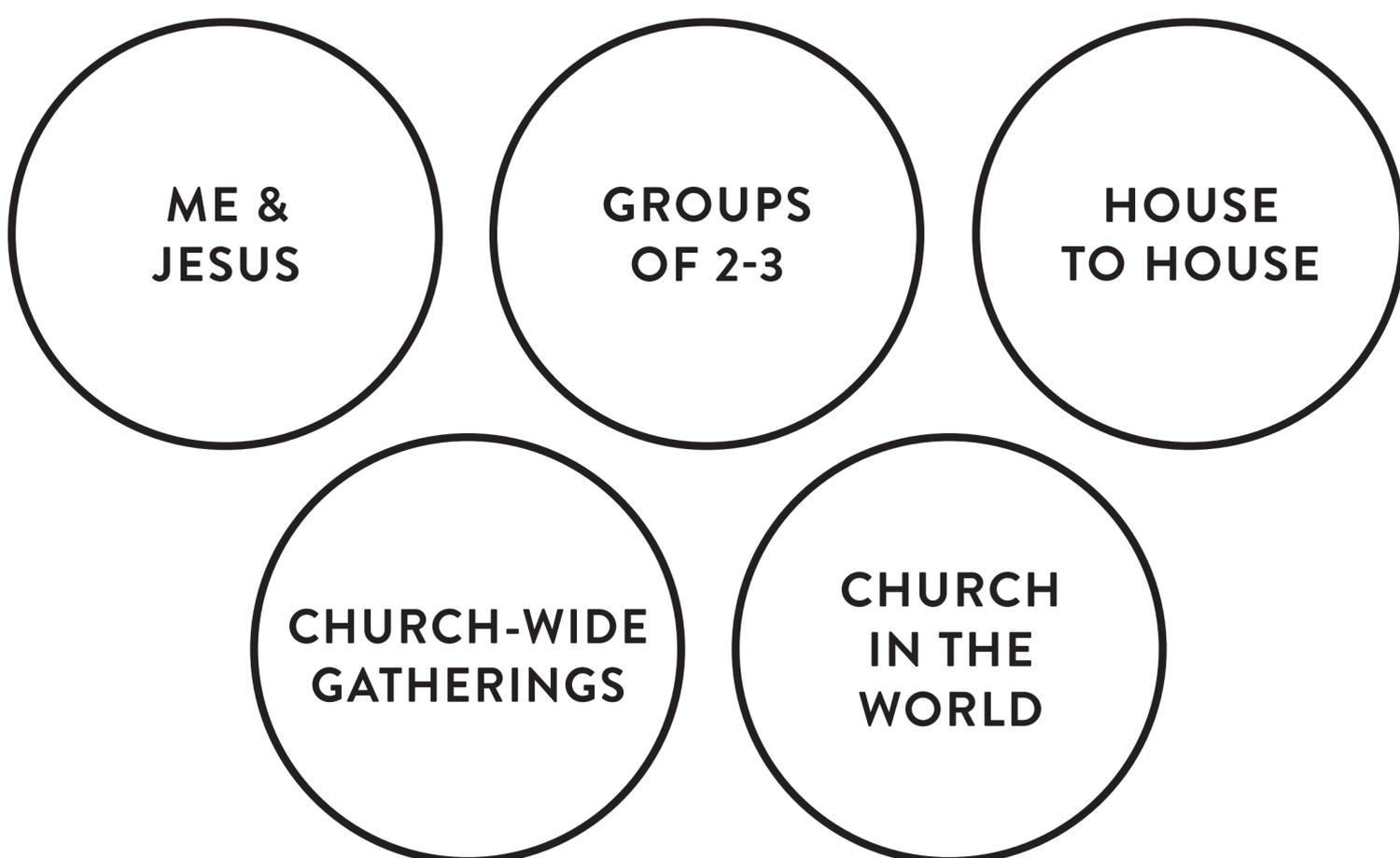
If you have never received Jesus as your Lord and Savior, now is the perfect opportunity! Say this prayer out loud:

Lord, I know that I have sinned and fallen short. I confess that I have been living life to please myself and ask your forgiveness. I believe that you died on the cross and rose from the dead to save me and I want to make you the head of my life. I want to trust and follow you as my Lord and Savior.

In Jesus' name, amen.

There are so many great ways to grow in your relationship with Jesus and this is just the beginning! We would love to walk with you on this journey and get you involved in some of the other ways we do church (see below).

5 CIRCLES OF CHURCH



HOW TO GET CONNECTED

If you have any questions or testimonies to share, text the person who shared this resource with you, or connect with our staff by emailing hello@antiochnola.com. We would love to celebrate what God is doing in your life!

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