



# FIVE MARKS TO A HEALTHY SMALL GROUP

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## **Make spiritual growth our number one priority (Romans 8:29).**

- Tangents are okay sometimes, but sometimes need to be refocused. Keep spiritual growth the focus and stay on topic.

2

## **Accept one another (Romans 15:7).**

- Know there will be different preferences.

3

## **Take care of one another (John 13:34).**

- When crisis happens the group is there to help with support, prayer, encouragement, listening, etc.

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## **Treat each other with respect (Ephesians 4:25-5:2).**

- Listening to one another
- The goal of the group is to listen, not give advice.
- Avoid dominating conversation(s).
- Be careful of gossip prayers.
- No put-downs.
- What is said here, stays here.

5

## **Keep our commitments to the group (Psalm 15:1-2, 4b).**

- Communication is important so that the group knows what's going on and how to pray for each other.