



ReThinking the Church It's Worth It

Look Back – Care, Praise, Loving Accountability, Vision – 20 mins This is a time to see how everyone's week was. Were they successful in the previous week's goals? Were they unsuccessful? It's also a time to pour vision into your group. Give them the why behind things we are doing church wide. **Make sure to have your update outline with you so you can reference different points from the sermon.**

- Who would like to share their list of 5 habits? **(Be ready to share yours first)**

Look Up – What does the Bible say? Practice – 20 mins

- Read Ephesians 5:25 & Deuteronomy 11:19. Can the local church be for families if it schedules against them? How have you seen this in your life?
- Read John 8:1-11. The woman clearly broke the law so why do you think Jesus responded like he did? How can we, as a community, meet people like Jesus did? How can you, individually, respond like Jesus did?
- Read Luke 15:1-7. Jesus plainly said that the is **more** joy for one person that is "found" than the 99 righteous. What does this say to you? About the current state of the Church? About Shift?
- Read Luke 15:11-31. Who do you identify with in this story? Why do you think the father reacted like he did? Why did the big brother get angry instead of rejoicing? **(Many long time Christian can start behaving like the big brother. We all do when we forget it was grace that saved us and has nothing to do with us)**
- What next step do you need to take?

Look Forward – Set Goals (For Accountability), Commission and Pray – 20 mins

Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- What is God calling you to do to help Shift those of us not here yet? (Share with the group)
- Commit to doing that. Talk to your small group and/or leader about how to accomplish this if you need help.