



# HTC SMALL GROUP

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** Encouraging One Another

**Sermon Date:** October 7, 2018

**Scripture:** Hebrews 10:24-25

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

1. Think of a time when you weren't attending and participating in a church. What kept you away?
2. As a group, discuss the top reasons why people keep their distance from church? (Yes, showing memes is allowed). Of those reasons which ones apply to non-Christians and which ones apply to Christians?
3. What's the difference between attending a church and belonging to a church?
4. READ Leviticus 23:3 and Isaiah 66:23. What do these verses have to say about God's people gathering together?
5. READ Hebrews 10:24-25. What does this passage warn us **not** to do? Why do you think avoiding church can soon become a "habit"?
6. To "stir up one another to love and good deeds" is a good idea on paper, but how do we actually do this? Can you think of a time when someone spurred you on to show love and do good deeds?
7. Thinking over the ministries and activities of Harbor Trinity, what love and good deeds have you seen demonstrated?
8. READ John 13:35 and Galatians 6:10. What do these verses teach us about making an extra effort to love and do good for people in the church family? Why is this important?
9. How does participation in church worship services, activities, small groups, etc. encourage you?
10. READ Acts 14:21-22. Why is encouragement for Christians so important?
11. READ 1 Thessalonians 5:11. Can you share with the group a time when someone encouraged you in your faith and it really helped?
12. Hebrews 10:25 mentions the second coming of Christ. Why is encouraging one another "all the more" connected to this event?
13. READ Matthew 26:26-30. Why do you think it was important for the disciples to share in the last supper together?
14. READ 1 Corinthians 11:17-34. What problems had come up surrounding the Lord's supper? What was the solution? How does this passage show that communion is still meant to be a church gathered event?
15. If a person stops attending church and as a result is no longer taking communion with the church family, does it matter? Why or why not?
16. What takeaways do you have from this week's discussion? What additional reasons do you have for church involvement that haven't been discussed so far?