

# ECCLÉSIA: SHE GATHERS

Jesus said where two or three are gathered in his name, there He is also. The people of God, wherever and whenever they gather together, are the church. In the midst of them resides God's presence. What happens when the gathering moves beyond the notion of what is done inside the church to being the church wherever we gather?

Acts 4:23-31

## **Monday**

The word ecclesia means "the called out" (elected ones). Read Genesis 28:3 and think about your "Community of Peoples" . Thank God today for your family and friends that God has called out for His purpose.

## **Tuesday**

Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 and ask God to show you how you fit in the "body" of Christ.

## **Wednesday**

Read Ephesians 5:25-32 and as we celebrate the multiple places we are "called out" as the body of Christ, pray that He will direct you as His hands and feet to those who are in need.

## **Thursday**

Read Nehemiah 8:1-12 and meditate on the vision of ecclesia: gathered together as one (v 1), reading the Word of God (v 3), worshipping God (v 6), expounding the Word (v 7), teaching (v 9), and having joy in understanding the Word (v 12).

## **Friday**

Read Matthew 18:20 and pray for God to remind you that "whenever two or three are gathered" (inside and outside of the church's building), we have the opportunity to create the vision of ecclesia reviewed yesterday.

## **Saturday**

Read Acts 4:32-37 and ask God to prepare your heart for tomorrow's message.