



## **WEEK 10: GOD'S WILL AND THE CHURCH**

**KEY TEXT – ROMANS 12:5**

### **MESSAGE NOTES:**

1. Share any thoughts insights you had from your SOAP Journal or from your homework in the workbook on Unit 9.
2. Describe the best team of which you were a member (Sports, work, etc). What made it good?
3. What three things does God want for his church according to each of these verses: 1 Peter 1:14-16, John 17: 20-23, and 1 John 3:11, 18, 23?
4. Which of the 3 qualities of a good church (team) in question number 3, is the easiest for you to carry out? How can your table group (church) help you with the areas that are more difficult for you?
5. Pastor Steve talked about the importance of “filling your spot.” Describe what you think your “spot” is in God’s church. CrossCity Church? Your Table Group?
6. Read Ephesians 4:17-31. This passage gives many practical descriptions of what it means to be part of God’s team. Pick out two or three things in that list that you would like to focus on to fill your place in God’s Church.
7. Read Romans 12:5 again, and 1 Corinthians 12:12. How does this picture help you visualize how the church should work? Pray for each other around your table, that each would be clearer about their “special function” in the body of Christ.

# SOAP JOURNAL EXERCISE

*Read: Romans 12*

**S – Scripture** – Choose one verse from the scripture above and hand write it below.

**O – Observation** – Describe in your own words what you think the verse is saying. Explore words and phrases and try to put down what you “see” in this verse. You can even re-write the verse in your own words.

**A – Application** – Write down what you should do because of what this verse says. It may be something you need to keep doing, stop doing, or start new. Make it as detailed and specific as possible.

**P – Prayer** – Write a prayer thanking God for speaking to you, and ask him to help you focus on what he has said and what you should do.