

Gospel at Home

Study Meeting of the Gospel at Home

The Study Meeting of the Gospel at Home is the gathering of the family for the study of the Gospel under the light of Spiritism and their joint prayers. It is of vital importance for the spiritual balance of the family and the harmony of the domestic atmosphere. In this meeting, in addition to the study and vibrations carried out together, there is also the opportunity for the Spiritual friends to provide spiritual assistance to the home, and in particular, to each one of its members.

Organization

The entire family should be motivated to participate in the Study Meeting of the Gospel at Home, including the children. If other members of the family cannot or do not wish to participate in the study, one person alone can accomplish it, with the certainty that the home, as well as other relatives, will benefit from it. This should be a weekly meeting, on a day and hour previously chosen.

The meeting should not exceed 20-30 minutes. If children are participating, the minimum time should be chosen. Punctuality at each meeting is indispensable, as well as the consistency of the meetings. The sequenced study of The Gospel According to Spiritism is recommended in addition to excerpts from other evangelical works with the active participation of every member of the family. Manifestations of disincarnate spirits should be avoided. A glass of water should be placed for each person present so that they may be magnetized by the Spiritual Benefactors.

In addition to relatives, neighbors, and friends, visitors that are in the home at the hour of the meeting may also be invited to participate in the study. It is advisable, in order to avoid interruptions, to turn the telephone off. It is advisable to choose a place in the house that offers privacy, so that inconvenient interferences may be avoided.

On the day of the Study Meeting of the Gospel at Home, in particular, the domestic atmosphere should be preserved by means of attitudes and thoughts of peace and cordiality, and of uplifting conversations. Less worthy conversations or inconvenient attitudes should not be permitted before, during, or after the meeting.

Development

The family will always meet on the day, hour, and place previously chosen. Before the beginning of the meeting, the tasks of the study will be distributed, selecting the participants that will be responsible for the prayers and the reading.

Initial prayer: Offered by the director or by the one choose by him/her; it should be concise, simple, and objective, asking God and the Superior Plane for blessings of peace and happiness.

Reading and comments: Read a page from The Gospel According to Spiritism in sequence. It is important that everybody actively participate with comments, contributing to enhance the subject and to enrich the lesson.

Vibrations: It is the prayer for the home, relatives and friends, sick persons, the obsessed, drug addicts, suicides, for incarnates and disincarnates, and for enemies. We should also ask for countries, world peace, and for everyone in need. Finally, vibrate for the benefit of the participants of the meeting and for the magnetization of the water.

Closing prayer: It should also be simple, clear, and concise, expressing gratitude to God, Jesus, and the Spiritual Friends for the blessings of the study and the lesson, and for the happiness of fraternal coexistence.

Observations

Upon consideration of the high objectives, the great spiritual reach of the Study Meeting of the Gospel at Home, and the great benefits it provides to people, their homes, and society, it is advisable that the Group, Center or Spiritist Society motivate its implementation in all homes, by means of campaigns promoting its practice, and by providing guidance for its implementation. These campaigns should be promoted through all possible means of communication. Properly trained teams can provide assistance and collaboration to these meetings in their initial phase.

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