

## Why the “MTG”?

Well, it is a meeting. And “mtg” is the abbreviation of meeting. But more importantly the cross is the meeting place between me and God (me + T + God = MTG). I can approach God’s awesome righteousness and justice through the cross. And God can see me with mercy and forgiveness through the cross of Jesus Christ. I can approach the one true holy God and God can reach out to me through the cross. Our meetings will be about who God is and who we are and how we grow in a loving relationship with God. But we must never forget the cross.

Christ from the cross also helps us to love others. When we place the cross between us and others (Me +T+ Groups of others [family, workers, strangers] = MTG) we see God’s great love for all others (enough to die) so we can love and make sacrifices for others like Jesus did.

*God proves his love for us in that while we were still sinners Christ died for us.*

*How much more then, since we are now justified by his blood, will we be saved through him.*

(Romans 5:8,9)

*I have been crucified with Christ; yet I live, no longer I, but Christ lives in me; insofar as I now live in the flesh, I live by faith in the Son of God who has loved me and given himself up for me. (Galatians 2:19,20)*

*The way we came to know love was that he laid down his life for us; so we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. (1 John 3:16)*

*I am the vine, you are the branches...without me you can do nothing. (John 15:5)*

*Follow me and I will make you... (Matthew 4:19)*