



## GROUP FAITH SHARING GUIDELINES

As we listen to others share how God is speaking to them, God can also speak to us. We need to *listen attentively*, with our ears and eyes and hearts open, in order for us *to hear God speaking* to us through others.

1. See Jesus in every member of your group.
2. Love each member just as she or he is today.
3. Treat everyone as well as you want them to treat you (the Golden Rule).
4. Share only what God is revealing to you about yourself and your own life.
5. Give each person equal time to share with the group.
6. Be courteous. Allow each person to speak without interruption.
7. Listening is even more important than speaking (two ears, one mouth).
8. Do not try to solve another person's problems. Just listen.
9. Do not teach, preach, judge, condemn, or give advice.
10. Confidentiality is essential for the trust level of a group. So do not share with others outside the group what you heard in the group.
11. All members of the group should assume responsibility for these guidelines.
12. Gently remind and lovingly encourage anyone who forgets.

