

**Discussion topics for groups – leaders supplement:**  
***Rebel Church – a challenge and an encouragement to the Believer***

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**Leader Notes:**

**These challenging questions are in addition to the questions raised in the chapter by chapter review (see separate document).**

**These questions might be considered too complex for small study groups, where attendees are necessarily at different points in their Christian journey. However mature Christians might well want to pursue these topics in addition to the chapter by chapter review. Having stated this, please note that these discussion prompts are aimed much more at leaders and leaders in training.**

**AUTHOR'S INTRODUCTION**

Assuming that readers buy-into the basic thesis that there is *a case to answer* i.e. that there is a rebel church and that this must then be a matter of concern, how then do we progress in terms of developing relationships with other Christians?

Precisely how groups tackle the discussions is very much up to them. A facilitator of some sort will be helpful.

**BASIC QUESTIONS**

1. Is there *a case to answer*? If not, why not?
  
2. If there IS a case, then .....

  - what are the implications?
  - how must we respond and change to meet emergent challenges to Christian orthodoxy?
  - how must our prayer change?
  - how must our gospel witness change?

3. What do we (and what should we) understand from the idea of a “broad church”? Give specific biblical examples, with reference to context.
4. What are the limits to “unity”?
5. Is it possible to reach out in agape to rebel churches without compromising gospel truth? What and where are the limits?
6. How do we respond to Jewish believers in Yeshua?
7. What are the practical implications that arise from seeking and acquiring a “Hebraic” understanding?
8. How do we provoke Jews to jealousy? (Romans 11:11 and 14). This might sound aggressive but surely the apostle Paul did not mean it to be so. So what did he mean? The history of the church so often seems to have provoked the Jewish people to nausea against the holy Name of Yeshua. What has gone wrong? How do we act to reach out to Jewish people?