



## CAN'T DO CHURCH ANY MORE?

**Dear Fellow Christ-follower,**

Right at this moment there are huge numbers of Christians who are feeling battered and bruised, or disappointed and disillusioned, by their church experience. For some, the answer is to join a different body of Christians, and hope that in time the wounds will heal; but many others have come to the conclusion that they just can't 'do church' any more—at least in the form they have been used to.

Perhaps you are one of them?

This can be a pretty scary and isolating experience, as you try to pick through the issues involved and formulate a plan for the future —especially if you have been an active member of a particular local body, stream or denomination.

And so this is why I would like to offer help.

'**Eagles Wings**' is a new Rhythms of Grace support-group for those who feel they can't 'do church' in their former manner. This new resource will develop according to demand and need; however, to start with, members of the group will receive twice-monthly faith-building emails, and access to a private page where they can find other resources.

If you need a supportive environment while your wounds heal, and you find hope for the future, please leave your email address below, and I'll be in touch.

Incidentally, no *believer* ever leaves The Church, the universal body of Christ, we are all part of it by virtue of being joined to Him. For two thousand years, every new expression of that Church has come from people questioning the veracity of the particular wineskin they have been exposed to. And while there are many Christians who are blissfully happy with their experience of church-life, there should never be any shame or condemnation for fellow believers who are asking honest questions.

Despite what some may say, life after church (as we know it) is not a quick descent into apostasy, nor are those travelling this path forsaken by God—and abundant life still awaits those who love and serve the Lord.

God bless you,

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