

THE ESSENTIALS OF SMALL GROUP LEADERSHIP

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EZEKIEL 22:30 ◊ ISAIAH 43:4 ◊ II COR 4:1 ◊ JOHN 21:15 ◊ II TIM 2:2

I. PURPOSE

The primary purpose of a small group is to promote Jesus Christ in the life of each person within the group, meeting each individual where they are and helping them to take "next steps" toward a deeper and more fruitful relationship with God. The small group is a central tool for accomplishing our objective of teaching, training and building in the lives of others to help fulfill the Great Commission, one individual at a time (MATT 28:18-20). True disciple-making happens when we pursue life-on-life relationship beyond the borders of the small group.

Ways to pursue the people outside of small group – I THESS 2:8

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II. PREP

SMALL GROUP LEADER'S PREPARATION

- _____ – I SAM 12:23
- _____ – MATT 20:25-28
- _____ – EZRA 7:10
- _____ – ACTS 6:10
- _____ – I PETER 5:3-4; MATT 23:1-4

III. PROCESS

APPROACH TO SMALL GROUP

- ✓ PREPARE _____
- ✓ PRAY _____
- ✓ TRUST _____
- ✓ HAVE _____

APPROACH TO TEACHING THE WORD

- TELLING ISN'T _____.
- LISTENING ISN'T _____.
- YOU LEARN TO DO BY _____.

APPROACH TO GROUP DISCUSSION OF THE WORD

- DISCOVERY – "WHAT DOES _____?"
- UNDERSTANDING – "WHAT DOES _____?"
- APPLICATION – "HOW CAN THIS _____?"

Ask God for wisdom and guidance in your small group leading role. Ask Him to give you a real passion and enthusiasm for helping the people you are leading and sensitivity to the promptings of the Spirit. You were called by God to feed His sheep and He is eager for you to enjoy the success that comes through co-laboring with Him in the lives of His people.