



SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember the C's of Small group health:

CONTENT - biblical, intentional, and conversational

CONSISTENCY - regular meetings and interactions with one another

CCARE - sharing life's ups and downs with grace, love and encouragement

CELEBRATION - celebrating God's grace to us and having fun together

COMMISSION - participating in what God is doing now during our lifetime on earth

CHARACTER - as a leader – growing in my example for my group

ICEBREAKER: (Choose one)

- Share a time when you "made up" (reconciliation) with someone and it went well or share about a family reunion that was particularly special.
- What part of your "day" is the most challenging for you to be a Christ-follower?

INTO THE WORD

- 1) If you were in an elevator and were able to share with someone what the message was about, what would you say?

Leader Tip: Use this question to review the message and see how everyone is processing what they heard.

- 2) Read Romans 12:1-10

- a. How does God's mercies (v. 1) and grace (v. 3) help produce humility in us?
- b. Why is Christianity not merely personal and individualistic (vv. 3b-9)?
- c. According to this passage, describe a biblical view of church membership?
- d. Why do we honor people? According to v. 10, is honor earned or given? Why?
- e. Based on your answers to the last 2 questions, where is repentance needed in your life?

APPLY THE WORD

- 3) Think through your typical day. Share how you can approach your day differently in light of this teaching, thinking through your job, relationships, interactions, attitudes, prayers, etc.

4) Where do you struggle most to “live by losing (or giving or blessing)”? How can we support you?

Leader Suggestion:

Use this message and discussion to cast vision for your group to serve, join the church as a biblical member, do a HOPE project together, invest financially through consistent giving or the BOLD initiative. Be sensitive to your group’s spiritual progress and follow the lead of the Holy Spirit.

PRAYER TIME

Suggested prayer:

Lord, help me to die to myself in ..._____ ; help me to give more of myself by ... _____.