



SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember the C of COMMISSION

Please pray with us during this key season of the January to help people "connect" to life in Christ. Connection means more than attendance; it means beginning a journey that **follows Jesus**. Please pray for people to connect, and pray that God will bring more people to your small group or allow you to help people find the group that is best for them.

Encourage your group to read along in the book of Daniel. The reading plan is available with the Time With God daily text devotional, or on the printed version available in the lobby areas. Anyone can sign up for the electronic version by texting 'TWG' to 706-671-2171.

Ice Breaker: (Choose one)

*If you could have any superpower that defied human limitations, what would it be and why?

*What technological breakthrough are you most grateful for (i.e.-microwaves, small computers, internet, cell phones, etc.)?

Into the Word:

a) Share any impact or "Aha!" moments from the sermon.

Read Colossians 4:2-6

b) What similarities do you see between this passage and how Daniel lived his life in Babylon?

c) According to this passage, what do we as Christians need to do for people to come to faith in Christ?

d) Of the things we mentioned (see above question), which one(s) are easiest? Hardest?

Apply the Word:

a) Where in your life do you sense that you live "down" to your circumstances (or your circumstances tend to dominate and overwhelm your faith and Christianity)?

b) When you are in contact with non-Christians and people living apart from God, how do you act? What are you thinking? What struggles do you have?

c) Theologically, why do we have to use words--at some point--when we are living sent and sharing our faith?

Teaching Tip: Have someone from your group read Romans 10:14-17 to understand the connection between faith and hearing.

d) Share ideas and tips for how you can naturally bring up Jesus in conversations.

PRAYER:

--Pray for our church's goal of baptizing 400 people this year.

--Pray by name for one person you will seek to influence toward Christ this year.