Group Discussion Guide - Week of 01/05/25 to 01/11/25

This guide is designed to help you create space for real connection and conversation with your group. Don't feel any pressure to answer every question each week. Instead, let the Holy Spirit lead you as you lead your group in discovering what God wants to speak to you all.

Loving (30 min)

20 min: Questions for Conversation & Accountability

- 1. How have you seen God at work in your life over the past week?
- 2. What is one high or low from the past week?

10 min: Prayer Requests

1. How can we be praying for you this coming week?

Learning (30 min)

Series Title: Life Together

Big Idea: Christian community is both a gift from God and an expectation from Him to live in it.

10 min: Reflecting on Sunday's Message

- 1. What stood out to you, challenged you, or did you have a question about?
- 2. What did you think or feel when you heard this week's Big Idea?

20 min: Reflecting on Scripture

- 1. Read Ephesians 2:19-22. Paul describes believers as "fellow citizens" and "members of the household of God." How does this imagery deepen your understanding of what it means to be part of God's family?
- 2. Tyler said, "Faith and Christian community are only experienced from the inside." What does this mean for someone who might feel like they're still "on the outside"? How can we encourage each other to step further in?
- 3. Read Romans 12:10
 - a. What does honoring others look like practically, even in small, simple ways?
 - b. How can we make this a natural part of our relationships in this group and beyond?
- 4. Read Colossians 3:14

- a. How does love create harmony in a community, even when we're not always physically together?
- b. What does "putting on love" look like in your daily interactions, both within and outside the group?

Living (30 min)

This week, think about your current season of life. How can you prioritize living in connection with God and others in a way that's realistic and meaningful for you?

Don't underestimate the power of small gestures to stay connected. A simple message, call, or prayer for someone can make a big difference.

Remember, Christian community isn't about being perfect but about participating. Lean into the imperfections with grace and openness, trusting that God is at work in the process.

Don't just wait for someone to reach out to you. Being part of a community often requires us to take the first step and instigate a connection—it might be exactly what someone else needs too.