

# discussion guide

## discipleship

### Let's Talk

Take time to get to know one another more by playing this Ice Breaker: Set a 1 minute timer for group members to find something within an arms reach that is meaningful to you. Each person then has 1 minute to share about their object, including information like where they got it, and why they keep it.

At Sanctus Church, the purpose of Connect Groups is connection - doing life together in Biblical Community. What does 'doing life together' mean to you?

### Let's Study

Ray Vander laan wrote, "the disciple's deepest desire was to follow their rabbi so closely that they would start to think and act like him." Discuss how being a disciple of Jesus would have been different when Jesus walked the earth to what it is like today.

Read Hebrews 10:19-25

What is the danger in not meeting with other believers? What are the benefits of meeting with other believers? What does this verse say we should be doing when we meet?

In the book Transformation Groups, Ed Stetzer and Eric Geiger wrote, "community is a place to love and be loved, to receive and extend grace, to watch others be transformed and to be transformed...groups are the primary place where this transformation happens." Have you seen or experienced this? If so, share an example.

### Let's Apply

Group Assessment

Your goal as a Sanctus Church Connect Group is twofold:

1. Notice each other's spiritual growth and
2. Care when tough things happen.

Discuss ways you can help achieve these goals as a group

How often will this group meet? Where will we meet? For example: meeting in person vs meeting online

Group Hosts read to the group the page Count Me In (pg 10) from the Connect Group Guidebook ([sanctuschurch.com/leadyourgroup](http://sanctuschurch.com/leadyourgroup)). Are you all in?

Are there other expectations (not yet mentioned) that you have about being in a Connect Group?

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### **Let's Apply cont...**

Individual Assessment - to be completed individually before the group meets again. Visit [sanctuschurch.com/discipleship](https://sanctuschurch.com/discipleship) click on "Download Self-Assessment".

Am I a disciple of Jesus? If yes, where am I on the journey?

Where was I last September? Where was I last March just before the global Covid moment and where am I now?

### **Let's Pray**

Lord, thank you that we can come directly to you. Help us to hold unswervingly to the hope we receive in you. Help us to keep the commitments we have made to one another today. AMEN