LIFE GROUP GUIDE

WELCOME

Narrate why we meet together and go over any important announcements.
Women, sign up for our Advent Event on November 16th at 2rc.org/adventevent

CATCH UP ON LIFE

We catch up on life because we are a family that cares about the ups and downs of one another's lives. *Choose 1 question*: What were the highs and lows of your week? Where have you seen Jesus at work this week? How are you doing, really? Are there any significant updates in your life? Are there any big decisions to process with the group?

PAUSE

Before officially beginning group time, have someone lead the group through a pause prayer. Take a few deep breaths. Give everything and everyone to God. What do you need to let go of? Open your heart and mind to hear from Him, and ask the Spirit to lead and guide everything that follows.

IMPACT

Just as the Father sent the Son on mission, we are sent out to make an impact with the hope of the gospel! Who has God recently put in your path? Is there someone you sense the Lord is giving you compassion for? What does it look like to pursue them and share truth with them? Take a moment to pray for those people.

SCRIPTURE DISCUSSION

We love the Bible. We believe God's Word strengthens, renews, and unites us. That's why we open physical Bibles together. Phones can easily distract us, but there is something meaningful about seeing God's Word with our own eyes, holding it in our hands, and experiencing it together.
Passage to discuss: Joshua 3:5-15
Meditate on the passage for a moment. **What do you see about God?**
Apply it to life. **If this is true, what does it change for us?**
Apply it to impact. **If this is true, how does it inform our mission?**

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SERMON DISCUSSION

We continue to discuss the truths from the sermon because we want to grow in them. As we discuss together, we learn from one another as a family, and the truth goes deeper into our hearts! *Have someone briefly recap the sermon (just a few minutes).* **How would you describe the vision of what we hope our church home will be? What does the phrase "take a step of faith" mean for us? Why does God often lead his people this way? What excites you most about having a permanent church home? What do you sense the Lord doing in you through this season of faith-building? Take some time to pray over this season and opportunity for our church family!**

ENGAGE THE HEART

Engage the Heart is a time to be known and loved. As we grow in our understanding of one another through honesty, we get to remind one another of God's covenant-keeping love! Through Christ, we are not treated according to our sin and failures. We get to walk in the light of honesty and point one another to the good news of the gospel! [John 15:4, 1 John 1:8-9, James 5:16, and 1 John 1:5-10]

- Cast vision for this time.
- Confess sin.
- Prayerfully listen for God to lead.
- Dig deeper by asking questions.
- Give gospel assurance to one another.
- Pray.

What might God want to do in your heart through this season? Are there any lies you find yourself believing through this? Is there anything you have sensed God inviting you to turn away from? Turn toward? Is there anything disrupting your union with God? What is the good news of the gospel for what has been confessed?