

LIFE GROUP GUIDE

CATCHING UP

SUGGESTED TIME: 10-20 MINUTES

As a family, we love to truly know the ins and outs of one another's lives. **What are you looking forward to this summer? How can we stay connected this summer?**

IMPACT

SUGGESTED TIME: 10-20 MINUTES

The eternal realities we've been discussing lead us to make an impact in this life. **Whom are you sensing God inviting you to invest in?** Take time to pray for those people.

PAUSE

SUGGESTED TIME: 1-2 MINUTES

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.

SERMON DISCUSSION

SUGGESTED TIME: 20-40 MINUTES

We open God's Word together on Sundays and throughout the week to grow in our understanding of it! As we do, we gain confidence to study on our own as well. *Have someone read 1 Peter 3:1-13.* **What do we see about God's character in these verses? What truths of Christianity do we most often forget/drift from? What is a truth you overlook that God is inviting you to believe more fully? How do these verses bring meaning to our lives? How have you seen God's mercies in His delaying? In light of Jesus coming again, what temporary things in your life need to find their proper place?**

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ENGAGE THE HEART

SUGGESTED TIME: 20-40 MINUTES

We are secure in Christ. When Jesus comes again, we won't point to our efforts, works, or strength to be okay. We will point to His righteousness that covers us. His second coming motivates us to pursue holiness, fight sin, and turn towards His mercy. We do those things as we confess our sins to one another and remind one another of gospel truths.

[John 15:4, 1 John 1:8-9, James 5:16, and 1 John 1:5-10]

1. Cast vision for this time.
2. Confess sin.
3. ***Prayerfully listen for God to lead.***
4. Dig deeper by asking questions.
5. Give gospel assurance to one another.
6. Pray.

Is God leading you to do something that you have been putting off? What temporary thing do you treat as permanent? Each day of delay is His patience. How is God inviting you to use this mercy He is extending day after day? Is there anything disrupting your union with God? What is the good news of the gospel for what has been confessed?