

Community Group Discussion Guide

Step 01: Recap what our current series is all about.

Note: Remind the group what series we're currently on (since not everyone will have been at church recently) and read through the series description provided below to refresh everyone on what it's all about.

Series Title: The Message

Description: There is only one road that leads to life. Spoiler alert—it's Jesus. In John's day, as there are in ours, people proclaimed alternate messages claiming to teach the "real" way. The letter we call 1 John today, is a powerful reminder of the truth about Jesus, and why He alone has the power to save.

Step 02: Recap of this week's message.

Note: Read through the message outline with everyone briefly. You can stop and make comments as you see fit or read straight through it. Make sure you take time to read through the main text.

Message Title: Confidence

Main Text: 1 John 5:13-15

Supporting Texts:

Message Outline:

Point 1: We have confidence in our Salvation

- John has seen the risen Jesus with his own eyes. His ultimate point is that we can have the same level of confidence in our salvation through *faith* even though we have not seen Jesus alive in person.

Point 2: We have confidence in Prayer

- When we ask anything in accordance with God's will, he will answer our prayers.

Step 03: Lead group discussion.

Note: Do your best to keep the discussion going. Make sure you have read through the questions beforehand and are primed with

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thoughts of your own. Make everyone get specific with *how* they will apply this message in their own lives and in community—*no vague ideas allowed!*

Specific to this week's message:

1. Why is it essential that our prayers be in accordance with God's will?

General questions:

2. How did this message encourage you? How did it convict you?
3. What is your plan for applying this message to your personal/daily life?
4. What might it look like for us to live this out in community?
5. Was there anything about this message that stood out to you?