

Your First Small Group



Connect

Here are some ideas to connect at the beginning of each small group and in between group meetings:

Spend some time at the beginning of each week for the first few weeks to connect. Choose one or two of these questions and spend about 20 minutes here:

1. What is one thing that brings you joy?
2. When was the last time you felt really proud of something?
3. What is one significant challenge that you went through as a young adult?
4. When you hit 90 years old, what do you hope is said about you?
5. What are you hoping to get out of this group?



Learn

Use the video, book, and content provided to learn as a catalyst for growth.

Remind your group that to get the most out of your time, do these things:

- Listen to the weekend message
- Read the chapter of the book
- Watch the small group video podcast
- Read pre-meeting email and look up the scripture for the week**
- Look over the discussion questions in the member guide before coming to group

If members don't do any of these things, that's ok too! Encourage them to come to group each week, even if they've done none of the above.



Live

Discuss and apply what is learned to your everyday life, so that we can live out and experience the truths learned.

- Ask discussion questions
- Ask great follow up questions
- Spend time needed for each question (it's not a list of questions to get through, but a guide for a great discussion. Be mindful of where the discussion is headed.)
- Make sure to get to the final application question so that members can live the content that is discussed each week.



Vision for Your Group

Set expectations for where your group is headed

- What is your vision for this group? For your leadership?
- Do you envision yourself staying with the group or are you here just for lent (no wrong answer, no guilt)
- What is your hope for this group? Re: That you all grow in your relationships and in your faith in God.
- Cast vision for your group.