

Alignment Questions

CARE

Investing and cultivating deep relationships

- Where will this community group rate in relation to other activities/priorities?
- When is it ok to miss the group? (what events, etc)
- Describe a time when you had developed a deep relationship, even to the point that you could share everything.

Knowing each other in a real and authentic way

- Are you willing to allow others in your group know and understand your spiritual growth areas?
- Are there topics that are off limits to discuss with the group?
- Are there any aspects of your life that your group has been unwilling to explore?

Practicing the *one anothers* of Scripture

- What are your expectations for being cared for (phone calls, hanging out, being checked on, etc.)?
- How will you care for and love other members of this group weekly?
- How will you celebrate victories and bear burdens?

Proverbs 27:17 Iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.

Proverbs 27:2 Let another praise you, and not your own mouth; someone else, and not your own lips.

John 13:34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

Romans 15:7 Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.

2 Corinthians 13:11 Finally, brothers, good-bye. Aim for perfection, listen to my appeal, be of one mind, live in peace. And the God of love and peace will be with you.

Galatians 6:2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Ephesians 4:2-3 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

James 5:16 Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

Hebrews 3:13 But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called Today, so that none of you may be hardened by sins deceitfulness.

Hebrews 10:24-25 And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

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GROW

Challenging other's to take next faith steps

- How is your life is different today than it was 6 months or a year ago because of what Christ has done?
- How will your group challenge one another to take the next step of faith given their current circumstances and trials?
- What impact could you foresee others having to your spiritual growth?

Calling other's to obedience to God's word

- How will you use Scripture and prayer to process issues?
- What is your scripture memory plan?
- How will we handle members who give "good advice" not based on scripture?

Encouraging intimacy with Christ

- To what degree do you feel that God's word is a factor in shaping your life?
- How will the group hold each other accountable to growth areas?

Proverbs 3:5-6 Trust in the LORD with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight.

Proverbs 12:15 The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, But a wise man is he who listens to counsel.

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way which seems right to a man, But its end is the way of death.

Proverbs 15:22 Without consultation, plans are frustrated But with many counselors they succeed.

Matthew 7:7-8 Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened

John 15:4 Remain in me, and I will remain in you. No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me.

Romans 12:2 Do not conform any longer to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

2 Corinthians 4:16 Though outwardly we are wasting away, yet inwardly we are being renewed day by day.

Philippians 4:6 Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Hebrews 4:16 Let us then approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need

Hebrews 11:6 And without faith it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to him must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly seek him.

2 Timothy 3:16-17 All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.



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IMPACT

Praying for those far from God and Sharing one's faith

- How comfortable are you with sharing how Christ has changed your life?
- How will you hold each other accountable to reach out to the people on their Top Ten list?
- How will you hold each other accountable to share their personal story of grace?

Stewarding the Resources that God has entrusted

- Do you strive to grow more to steward resources to glorify Christ?
- Are you open and authentic with your community group in sharing financial details?

Serving Internally and Externally

- Do you know one another's gifts?
- How will you encourage each other to use your gifts?
- Are all members of group equipped to share the gospel?

Matthew 6:19-21 Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Matthew 28:18-20 Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Luke 10:27 He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Acts 1: 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Galatians 5:13 You, my brothers, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the sinful nature; rather, serve one another in love.

Philippians 4:3-4 Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others.

1 Thessalonians 2:8 We loved you so much that we were delighted to share with you not only the gospel of God but our lives as well, because you had become so dear to us.

2 Timothy 4:2 Preach the Word, be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage with great patience and careful instruction.

Hebrews 13:16 And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.