

PREPARING SPIRITUALLY TO BE A LIFE GROUP LEADER

WHAT IS A LIFE GROUP “WIN”?

- My Life Group “WINS” when together we apply biblical principles to our lives AND pray for one another. In doing so, we work together to fulfill the PURPOSE of Life Groups, to build relationships, grow spiritually, and care for one another

“And remember, it is a message to obey, not just to listen to. If you don't obey, you are only fooling yourself.” – James 1:22

FOUR SPIRITUAL PRACTICES TO BE A BETTER GROUP LEADER

“Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a huge crowd of witnesses to the life of faith, let us strip off every weight that slows us down, especially the sin that so easily hinders our progress. And let us run with endurance the race that God has set before us.” – Hebrews 12:1

1. BRING MY SECRET AREAS UNDER GOD’S CONTROL.

“I plead with you to give your bodies to God. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice – the kind he will accept. When you think of what he has done for you, is this too much to ask? Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will know what God wants you to do, and you will know how good and pleasing and perfect his will really is.” – Romans 12:1-2

- **Key Question:** Is there an area of my life I keep hidden from God and others.

REMEMBER: I MUST LEAD MYSELF FIRST

2. KEEP MY EGO IN CHECK.

(Jesus) “You know that in this world kings are tyrants, and officials lord it over the people beneath them. But among you it should be quite different. Whoever wants to be a leader among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must become your slave. For even I, the Son of Man, came here not to be served but to serve others, and to give my life as a ransom for many.” – Matthew 20:25-28

“He must become greater; I must become less.” – John 3:30

- **Key Question:** Why did I choose to be a Life Group Leader?

REMEMBER: LEADERSHIP IS SERVANTHOOD

3. FOCUS ON THE POSITIVE WHENEVER POSSIBLE .

“Don’t use foul or abusive language. Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them.”

– Ephesians 4:29

- **Key Question:** Do my words consistently encourage and build up?

REMEMBER: I LEAD BY EXAMPLE

4. MAKE MY PERSONAL GROWTH A PRIORITY .

“Let your roots grow down into him and draw up nourishment from him, so you will grow in faith, strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught. Let your lives overflow with thanksgiving for all he has done.” – Colossians 2:7

- **Key Question:** What am I doing to grow as a spiritual leader?

REMEMBER: I AM A PACE-SETTER

“We do this by keeping our eyes on Jesus, on whom our faith depends from start to finish. He was willing to die a shameful death on the cross because of the joy he knew would be his afterward. Now he is seated in the place of highest honor beside God's throne in heaven. Think about all he endured when sinful people did such terrible things to him, so that you don't become weary and give up.” –

Hebrews 12:2-3