

Community Group Leaders Guide

Week of October 9

Jeremiah 1:1-9

Today's big idea: God knows you.

- List out the Community Group Guidelines as a group.
- Put a bucket or bowl in the middle of the room and give everyone a handful of candy or other small items. Go around the group and say something about yourself while throwing a piece of candy in the bucket. If anyone else has experienced that same thing they would also throw a piece of candy in the bucket. **Round 1: have everyone say something they have experienced that someone else has probably experienced too (like a roller coaster). Round 2: have everyone say something they have experienced that most others probably haven't experienced (like being divorced). Round 3: have everyone say something that most people don't know about them.**
*****Listen to see how deep group members go here. If they are just being funny and staying on the surface then you will need to lead into deeper sharing.*****

Bible Study

- Someone pray that God would help us hear from him.
- Use the Bible Storytelling technique to tell the story of Jeremiah's call.
- Retell the story together as a group.
- Read the story from Jeremiah 1:1-9 in the Bible.
- Which part of the story captured your attention most and why?
- What are the pros and cons on Jeremiah being known by God?
- How does this story apply just to Jeremiah and how does this apply to anyone who would follow God?

As We Go

This question may be difficult for some to answer. This may be a good chance to say something like, "Well, I see in you..."

- What has God appointed you to do? You may not have all the details worked out but how is he drawing you to impact his kingdom?

Do not Fix or Rescue by disagreeing with people. This is a time for people to look at themselves. They may see things in themselves that you don't see. Thank them for sharing.

- When you look at yourself what do you see that appears to disqualify you from the appointment of God on your life?

Repentance might be a step that your group members need to take. Be ready to walk them through that process.

- What are steps you can take to walk in obedience with God in the call he has for your life?

Announcements to share with your group:

- October is Pastor Appreciation Month!
- HFC Vision Conference – Friday 10/28 and Sunday 10/30 (same presentation)
- TXM Annual Assembly – 11/4 and 11/5 volunteers needed
- Samaritan's Purse – Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes due Sunday, Nov. 6th



Community Group Covenants hfcog.org

Community Group Member Covenant

- I will make attendance a priority in my schedule and involvement a priority in my participation.
- I will build trust by holding in confidence those things shared in the Community Group.
- I will engage with a disciple maker—someone that will help me grow as a disciple of Jesus and teach me how to be a disciple maker as well.

Community Group Apprentice Covenant

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple someone in the Community Group beyond group meetings focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Leader each week and meet monthly beyond group meetings.

Community Group Leader Covenant

- I will pray for the Community Group Members daily.
- I will accept the responsibility to invite and welcome others into the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple someone in or out of the Community Group.
- I will relationally disciple an apprentice focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, leadership skills they are developing in the group meeting and others they are discipling.
- I will seek to multiply the Community Group and not just grow the group.
- I will talk with my Community Group Coach each week and meet monthly.

Community Group Coach Covenant

- I will pray for my assigned Community Group Leaders daily.
- I will relationally disciple someone.
- I will call my assigned Community Group Leaders each week focusing on their personal relationship with Jesus, process group time and their progress with their apprentice.
- I will meet with my assigned Community Group Leaders each month.
- I will talk with my Community Group Pastor every other week and meet together each month.