How To...

Luke 5:27-32 /// Week of May 7

Today's big idea:

This is a great way to learn what people enjoy doing. If they have trouble getting started ask them what they enjoy doing or about projects around the house they may have worked on.

- Share with the group the last "project" you worked on and how it turned out.
- Review the Community Group Guidelines together.
- Someone pray that God would help us hear from him.

Head

This is a super short story. This may be a great opportunity to invite someone new to do Storytelling this week. The questions do involve a little background knowledge so let me know if you have any questions as you are preparing.

- Use the Bible Storytelling technique to tell the story of the calling of Levi.
- Retell the story together as a group.
- Read the story from Luke 5:27-32 in the Bible.
- List out everything strange that happened in verses 27-28.
- Why were the Pharisees concerned?
- What seems odd about the response that Jesus gave the Pharisees?

Heart

Your group members will be wrestling with the tension of being with non-Jesus people and protecting themselves from temptation. Listen well. Don't fix, don't rescue or feel the need to offer advice right now. Make a note of who to follow up with for further discipleship between meetings.

- How do you feel about the idea of hanging out with people who don't follow Jesus and aren't part of the church?
- When you are with people who don't know Jesus do you find it easy to naturally talk about what Jesus is doing in your life?
- If you don't spend time with people who don't know Jesus, then why?

Hands

- Who are people that you already know who don't know Jesus? How can you be more intentional in talking with them about what Jesus is doing in your life?
- What are some things that you can do to put yourself around people who don't know Jesus?
- Pray for one another and for those mentioned that don't know Jesus. Pray for opportunities to talk about what Jesus is doing in our everyday lives.

After May the groups will take a break for the summer. Start planning now with your group how you can celebrate all that God has been doing over the past 9 months. Do something special, include food, maybe even meet in a different place or at a different time. The last week of May we will provide discussion questions to help you celebrate too. If you anticipate multiplying your group talk to Naomi as soon as possible so that we can celebrate together!



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 relation-ship 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.