



Weekly LifeGroup Leader Guide

“Leading a LifeGroup is leading and walking WITH students as they come to know and live for Jesus Christ.”

1) Love Eachother

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.” John 13:34-35

The best LifeGroups are built on genuine relationships with one another. When students know they are loved and that they belong, they will be more likely to open up and move deeper in their faith.

Be intentional to set aside time each week to actively demonstrate love to one another - in your weekly LifeGroup time, and outside of it.

- Send intentional texts throughout the week; carry on a group text.
- Go grab some coffee, or Sonic, or ice cream with one or more of your students.
- Go to their games, activities.
- Have a bbq or party with them and their friends.

Here are some good questions to regularly ask one another:

- How has your week been? At home? At school? With friends / boyfriend / girlfriend?
- Have you spent time this week seeking Jesus? In the Word? In prayer?
- Have you been obedient to what the Bible calls us to?
- Have you battled temptation this week? How did that go?
- Have you been intentional in sharing your faith with others? Why or why not? How did it go?
- Have you spent time this week & today at LifeGroup putting others before yourself?

2) Dig Deep

Engage With & Understand The Bible

The goal is to help students engage with, understand, and apply the Bible to their lives. Feel free to adapt questions and lead the discussion as needed for your group. Be ok with silence. Be ok with tension. Let them wrestle with the Bible.

Have someone, or multiple students, read the week’s passage, and then discuss the following questions:

OBSERVATION: What’s happening? What are the details?
Can someone recap what we just read? What’s going on here?
What did you like / not like about the story?

INTERPRETATION: What’s the meaning? What doesn’t make sense to you? What is God wanting to communicate here?
What’s His point? What does this teach us about God?

APPLICATION: What do we do with it? What is something God is saying to you through these verses? How can you apply this to your life today?

CHRISTOLOGY: How does this point to Jesus? What do these verses tell us about Jesus and God’s story of salvation?

3) Pray Together

Spend time ending LG by praying with one another. Break into groups or pray as one group, but encourage multiple students to pray out loud for one another.

If they aren’t sure what to pray, encourage them to think through ACTS:

Adoration - praise of who God is

Confession - admitting wrong with desire to change

Thanksgiving - thanking God for His gifts

Supplication - asking God for His help

Be sure to remind them of next week’s passage so they can read it ahead of time during the week.