

Leaders:

1. All-Church prayer/worship night is coming Sunday the 30th! 5:00-6:00pm at the high school.
2. Tons of content was delivered on Sunday about small groups. One of the biggest things to “roll out” in your groups, either this week or very soon after, is the concept of Shared Responsibility. Please see the “Leader Resource” page online for documents about the various Facilitator roles.

LEARN

Read Ephesians 4 together. What stands out to you from the text, and what was encouraging/challenging from the sermon on Sunday?

Pastor Chris listed 4 realities about good churches according to v. 1-16. Discuss each briefly and share why they are so crucial to thriving, biblical churches.

(Good churches are united about Jesus as Lord, are driven by the gospel, see everyone involved in ministry and speak the truth in love.)

Pastor Chris listed 3 realities about growing disciples according to v. 17-32. Discuss each briefly and share why they are so crucial in every disciple’s life.

(Growing disciples put off the old self and put on the new self, speak the truth while giving grace, live out the gospel together.)

PRACTICE

A core aspect of Harvest Small Groups moving forward is called “Shared Responsibility”. What should shared responsibility look like in our small group and how can we foster it together?

(This can be the time to pass papers out regarding Facilitators if you print them, or to discuss more generally how people view sharing responsibility for the group. Big idea is we’re all owners in group, all influence its quality, all contribute in ways that either help or hinder depth of relationship.)

Pastor Chris spoke about Small Group Meetings and Small Group Life. How can we can grow in these areas together as a group?

(Meetings – Discussion, Prayer, Breakout... meals, worship, communion too. Life – stay connected, outreach, serve one another and serve together. Try to really press in here, ask for concrete ways to grow, and come back to Shared Responsibility, which means ask for help from the group in areas that are lacking!)

Any member of Harvest who completes Basic Training can start a Small Group. Did what Pastor Chris said about this resonate and make sense? Is anyone interested in becoming a SG Leader some day at Harvest?

(B.T. = brief online application, one 3-hour class, receive a coach, recruit 4 people and launch group. If anyone expresses interest, please encourage them to fill out “SG Leader Interest” form on app!)

Spend 10 minutes praying together for your small group’s depth and quality to increase, and for Harvest Small Groups in general to increase in number and impact for the glory of God.

CHANGE

Breakout time is designed for deep relationship, sharing from the heart, and loving accountability. Suppose that 6 months from now we all agreed that all 3 of those are happening. What will our Breakout times need to be like in order to get there?