

# SMALL GROUP COVENANT

## **Love One Another** – Care Intentionally

*John 13:34, 1 Peter 4:8; Eph 4:15*

Be earnest in my love at all times  
Always speak the truth in love  
Listen to understand, don't assume or accuse  
Pray for one another with compassion

## **Forgive One Another** – Pursue Unity

*Eph 4:1-32; 1 Cor 1:10; Matt 18:15-20*

Be quick to forgive and ask forgiveness  
Let personal offenses roll off my back or to God in prayer  
Model unity by resolving conflict quickly  
Get the whole story, including both sides in personal conflict

## **Serve One Another** – Minister Actively

*Gal 5:13, Ex 17:11-12; Prov 19:20; 1 Cor 12:21-26*

Be intentional in blessing others  
Stay teachable and show deference  
Be flexible to meet situational needs  
Maximize my strengths and recognize my constraints  
Be committed to the whole, not just the part

## **Submit To One Another** – Esteem Others Highly

*Eph 5:21; 1 Pt 5:5; Phil 2:3-4; Matt 7:3-5*

Be the first to lead in humility and honor  
Serve others' interests before my own  
Check my motives and expectations before speaking  
Know my limits and respect the boundaries of others

## **Encourage One Another** – Cultivate Redemptive Relationships

*1 Thess 5:1; Rom 1:12; Eph 4:29*

Be a safe person to get real with  
Seek to build up always and never tear down  
Complement other's character when I think it twice  
Value the person more than their performance  
Point to Christ for hope and help

## **Be Devoted To One Another** – Commit Wholeheartedly

*Rom 12:5-10; Prv 17:17;; Prv 13:3*

Be there in the hard times  
Seek reconciliation between others  
Guard my relationships with truth and love  
Go gently if correction is needed

In order to protect this community, I will avoid both speaking or listening to unhealthy criticism of others and solve conflict biblically. Specifically, I will be discrete in my communication, correct slander and gossip immediately, and speak directly with those involved.

I am committed to living out the values outlined above and will pursue to model Christ-like character and build up the church for Christ's glory.

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