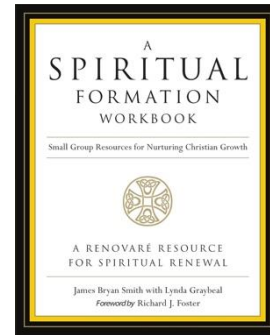


Quality Connections

Life Group Connection Guide

Seeks to help you dig deeper into God's Word on your own and aid in your discussion in a Life Group during the week. Follow the simple prompts below in a journal or together in a small group setting. If you would like to join a midweek Life Group, please contact: jon@neighborhoodchurch.com



Week 1 — *Discovering a Balanced Vision of Christian Faith & Practice*

- **Welcome & Ice Breaker:**
 - What is something you loved doing as a kid that you wish you could still do as an adult? Another way to ask this is: If you could have ONE superpower you had as a child again —endless energy, curiosity, fearlessness, imagination, etc.—which would you choose and why?
- **Important Dates:**
 - **Baptism Class** • Have you ever followed Jesus in Baptism? Join us Sunday, Sept 20 @ 10:45 • Meets at the Cypress campus, Room 1 • if interested, email: lorena@neighborhoodchurch.com
 - **Baptism Sunday** • Sunday, Sept. 27 at the Cypress Campus
 - **DONATE Water Bottles & Sign-Up** (in Lobby) to hand them out • Cypress City Festival • Sat, Sept. 26
- **Opening Prayer:**
 - *But for me it is good to be near God...* (Psalm 73:28a)
 - Spend a few moments in silent prayer with the Lord before moving on through the chapter
- **Session 1 (pages.25-31) in *A Spiritual Formation Workbook***
 - *Leader Considerations:*
 - *Our goal in Life Group this year is to follow Jesus, find belonging, & form future disciples.*
 - *Don't be afraid if you don't get through the whole chapter in one sitting. It's ok to break it up so that LG members can process together; pick up where you left off the next time you meet.*
 - *Remember we always come back to Jesus & measure everything by His words, His heart, His actions, so that His words, His heart, His actions would become our words, our heart, our actions.*
 - *We desire to help our LG members identify where we are following Jesus at the moment and where they are being invited to grow in their discipleship with Him.*
 - *As the leader you have freedom to create, adapt, & encourage an environment where you & your LG members can follow where the Holy Spirit might be directing them in their life through your time.*
- **Closing in Prayer:**
 - Reserve enough time to ask & pray for any prayer requests LG members may have.
 - *Ministries/Missionaries: Young Adults (18–24-year-olds) at Neighborhood Church*
 - Close by all praying together The Lord's Prayer (Matthew 6:9-13):

• <i>Our Father, who art in Heaven,</i> • <i>Hallowed be Thy name.</i> • <i>Thy kingdom come,</i> • <i>Thy will be done,</i> • <i>On earth as it is in heaven.</i> • <i>Give us this day our daily bread;</i> • <i>And forgive us our trespasses</i>	• <i>As we forgive those who trespass against us.</i> • <i>And lead us not into temptation,</i> • <i>But deliver us from evil.</i> • <i>For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever & ever. Amen.</i>
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