DISCOVERY GROUP GUIDE

Seven-Step Small Group Process for Making Disciples who Make Disciples

Prayer: begin in prayer for God to meet with you and end in prayer, each praying for one other person in the group.

1. **RECONNECT** (Look <u>back</u> on your week)

- What are you thankful for today?
- What struggle are you facing?

2. REVIEW

- Can someone summarize our passage from last time? How did God speak to you personally through it?
- How did it go with your "I will ..." statement from last week?
- Did you share how the Lord has been speaking to you with someone? How did the person respond?

3. **READ** (Look <u>up</u> to the Lord)

 Invite two people to read the new passage in different translations from scripture.

4. RETELL

- Can someone retell the scripture in their own words?
- Does anyone have something to add?

5. RESPOND

- Did anything in this passage capture your attention?
- What does this passage tell us about God (or Jesus)?
- What does this tell us about people, or about ourselves?

6. **REACT** (Look <u>forward</u> to fruitfulness)

(If you are using a notebook, take a few moments to write your response.)

- Reflect: How will I live differently next week in light of what God is saying to me in this passage?
- Write your "I will ..." statement.
- (It may be the Lord is inviting the group to respond to a need. If so, write together a "We will..." statement.)

7. REPEAT

- Who could benefit from what the Lord is teaching you?
- How will you share what the Lord is speaking into your life.

DISCOVERY GROUP STORY LIST

POINTING TO JESUS

Creation	Gen 2	
Cain and Abel	Gen 4	
Noah	Gen 6-9	
Abraham	Gen 12:1-9, Gen 22:1-18	
King David	1 Samuel 16-17, Psalm 23	
Daniel	Daniel 1, Daniel 6	
MEETING JESUS		
Jesus Birth	Luke 1:1-56, Luke 2:1-20	
Jesus Baptism	Mark 1:1-15	
The First Disciples	Luke 5:1-11	

Love Your Enemies	Luke 6:27-49
Washing Jesus Feet	Luke 7:36-50
Healing a Cripple	Mark 2:1-12
Casting out Demons	Luke 8:26-39
Great Commandment	Luke 10:25-37
The Lord's Prayer	Matthew 6:5-18
Lost Sheep and Son	
Jesus Crucifixion	Luke 23
Jesus Resurrection	Matthew 28:1-10
Great Commission	Matthew 28:16-20
SHARING THE GOOD NEWS	S ABOUT JESUS
The Holy Spirit	Acts 1:1-11, 2:1-41
Saul's Conversion	Acts 9
Barnabas and Saul	
Spiritual Gifts	1 Cor 12
Spiritual Warfare	
Jesus Return	•

For further scripture sets: <u>murraymoerman.com/2mission/disciple/scripture-passages.asp</u>

SUGGESTIONS FOR GROUP FACILITATOR

- 1. **Ask each of the seven questions**. After each question give time for people to respond before you speak. Be comfortable with silence while people think or write in their notebook.
- 2. **Keep the truth of Scripture and work of the Holy Spirit central:** Do not take center stage, teach or answer your own questions. The Bible is at the center and the Holy Spirit prompts personalized application to each life. If a member of the group wanders to other topics, you may need to bring the group back to the Scripture by asking, "What does this passage say about that? If one member of the group speaks too much, say, "Thanks for sharing. Let's hear also what quieter members of the group have to share."
- 3. **Train Leaders:** facilitate the group just two sessions before inviting another member of the group to facilitate. When everyone has facilitated twice, the group has ample experienced leaders to birth a new disciple-making group.
- 4. **Pray for people in your social network:** From the beginning, pray for one another and ask each person in the group to list and pray for people they know who are far from God.
- 5. **Start new groups:** keep group to 4-7 people. If person of peace shows interest, encourage a member of the group to begin a new group. Once the group is established, that person may choose to stay with the group or return to the 'mother group' and connect with the 'daughter' group as coach. If the 'mother' group grows to 8 people, another option is to form two groups of four people. Either way, over time, each group will be able to start two or three new groups and coach them to repeat the process to make more disciples.