



Leader's Growth Group Homework Guide

For the week of November 24-25, 2018

(This guide is designed to give helpful hints in preparing & leading your group in discussion)

QUICK REVIEW

LEADER NOTES

- Thank you for your dedicated serving for Christ and for your members. What you are doing is already making disciples of Jesus Christ. May God bless your ministry.

- For Advent, Pastor Tim and I will be using the daily devotion book which will be a main resource. However, I will try to make this material as well. Use both resources for your group meeting.

- For your service project, please share with me your pictures and any written description. Thank you.

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. What good happened to you today (or this week)?
2. Who is one person who has encouraged you greatly in your life? How did this person encourage you?

It's totally fine to have people give other answers here that aren't included on the list. You may want to ask if people are having trouble answering based on the given list.

GOING DEEPER

1. Here are some takeaways from the message of last week. Pick some of them and share with your group members how they relate to you.

- This is the question asked of all of us who claim to be followers of this Messiah, this crucified and resurrected one, this God with us. Do we love Jesus? Are we committed to him above all else? Will we deny ourselves, take up our cross, and follow him?
- Jesus is reminding Peter that disciples are called to love God with all of their heart, soul, mind and strength and to express that love by loving their neighbors as themselves. He reminds him of what he told the disciples in the upper room when he washed their feet: Love one another. Disciples are to love one another as Jesus has loved them.
- Faith = Discipleship; being in relationship with the ONE who:

- Created us
- Redeemed us

- Sustains us
- Loves us beyond imagination

• "We are all called to join in the healing work of the kingdom. Living into this call is part of living out the eternal life we long for." (Sermon)

- "When we are faithless, God remains faithful." (Good news)
- When we stumble God picks us up. (Good news)
- God does not give up on us. (Good news)
- "This grace allows us to live a renewed life in service to God."

2. Read John 21:15. What does it mean to love Jesus "more than these"?

15 When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs."

Q. Who are Jesus' "lambs"? What good news do you have to share with your friends, relatives and neighbors? How can you share this good news?

3. Serving is a way of living and modeling what we believe as followers of Jesus Christ. God wants us to use our gifts in the ministry and mission of the Kingdom. Where do we begin to serve? Who is not being served? How do we live out Jesus' call to "feed my lambs"?

4. What does it mean when Jesus commands "follow me"? (John 21:19)

Prayer Requests:



Growth Group Community Service Project

We ask every group to take on at least one service project a year (the ideal is two) and to have at least one social gathering (potluck) per half a year. Please consider with your group members of what community service you'd like to participate in. There is a project list made by our church that you can join in and outside the church.

Prayer Requests: [Please take time to pray](#)