

## CORE GROUPS – Confession, Outreach, Relationship, Encouragement

**CONFESSION** – confession isn't meant to bring guilt, shame or condemnation, but to free us from those things.

*If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. (1 John 1:8-10)*

- WHERE YOU HAVE YOU WRESTLED WITH TEMPTATION THIS WEEK?
- HAVE YOU GIVEN INTO TEMPTATION THIS WEEK?
- WHAT STEPS WILL YOU TAKE TO AVOID TEMPTATION?

**OUTREACH** – outreach is about making what is paramount to Jesus paramount to us – seeking the lost. Identity who you are sent to.

*“...the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.” (Luke 19:10)*  
*Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.” (John 20:21)*

- HAVE YOU BEEN LOVING AND PRAYERFUL FOR \_\_\_\_\_ THIS WEEK?
- HAVE YOU SENSED GOD BRINGING YOU OPPORTUNITIES TO LOVE AND SHARE?
- WHAT SPECIFIC STEP WILL YOU TAKE THIS WEEK TO INFLUENCE \_\_\_\_ TOWARDS JESUS?
- SPEND TIME PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE PEOPLE GOD IS PUTTING ON YOUR HEART.

**RELATIONSHIP – Reading and Prayer.** There is no real relationship without time and communication. How is your time and communication with God?

*My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. (John 10:27)*

- WHAT STOOD OUT TO YOU IN THIS WEEK'S READING?
- WHERE WERE YOU CONVICTED IN THIS WEEK'S READING?
- WHERE WERE YOU ENCOURAGED IN THIS WEEK'S READING?
- TELL US ABOUT YOUR TIME IN PRAYER THIS WEEK?
- WHAT KINDS OF THINGS WERE YOU PRAYING FOR?
- DID YOU HEAR FROM GOD DURING THIS TIME?

**ENCOURAGEMENT** – This is essential if we are going to live out the call of God on our lives. If confession is accountability for what we don't want to do, encouragement is fuel for what we are called to do.

*See to it, brothers and sisters, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called “Today,” so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. We have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold our original conviction firmly to the very end. - Hebrews 3:12-14*

- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING IN YOU THAT YOU NEED TO RESPOND TO?
- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING AROUND YOU THAT HE IS INVITING YOU INTO?
- WHAT DO YOU SENSE GOD DOING THROUGH YOU THAT YOU NEED COURAGE FOR?