

THE DISCIPLESHIP VISION FOR HOME GROUP LEADERSHIP

ACCOUNTABILITY - Teach members how to apply God's Word to all areas of their lives. Encourage members to read and study the Bible; independent of church or Home Group. It is essential to encourage accountability within the Home Groups for the purpose of consistency and obedience to God's Word (1 Peter 2:1-3; Psalm 1:1-3) (James 1:22-25; Ezekiel 33:30-32).

CONNECTION - Make it a priority to connect with other members at least two times a month for the purpose of encouragement, accountability, confession, and prayer (Galatians 6:1-3; James 5:16; Hebrews 10:23-24).

SUPPORT - Teach members how to work through life's temptations, difficulties, and/or crises from a biblical perspective. Support and encouragement from the Home Group leadership, as well as group members, is essential (Ecclesiastes 4:9-12).

SERVE - Get members involved in some form of ministry based on their individual gifts and talents. God has called each of us to pour out to others what He and others have poured into us (1 Peter 4:10-11; Ephesians 4:11-13).

DISCIPLE - Invest time and resources into the lives of other members. Develop one-on-one connections through activities, spiritual and daily life mentoring, and modeling (2 Tim. 2:22; Proverbs 27:17; Mark 3:13-14).

SHARING - Teach members to actively share their faith in order to lead others into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ (Acts 1:8; 1 Peter 3:15; Matthew 28:18-20).

GENERAL FORMAT FOR A HOME GROUP STUDY MEETING

Here's an example of how a leader may chose to plan out their group meeting. Also remember to try to stay on track with the scripture being studied, and be wise with the time. In time, the group members will respect and appreciate your diligence in facilitation and management of the time; even those you may need to often cut short.



Meeting begins at _____ and ends at _____.

- Informal fellowship before meeting
- Open in prayer
- Introductions (if necessary)
- A time of worship (if the group has the means to conduct worship)
- Facilitator or Co-Facilitator introduces & reads or assigns the reading of the scripture or curriculum.
- Interpretation and application – facilitated discussion
- Application challenge given to group
- Prayer requests
- Close in prayer
- Open fellowship time (with refreshments)