

# Guidelines in your Small Group

## WE AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING VALUES

- Clear Purpose** To grow healthy, spiritual lives by balancing the 5 Biblical purposes
- Group Attendance** To give priority to the group meeting time (call if I am absent or late)
- Safe Environment** To create a safe place where people can be heard and feel loved so we will be careful with being judgmental, giving quick answers, and offering our simple fixes to complex situations
- Be Confidential** To keep anything that is shared strictly confidential and within the group (unless someone states they are going to hurt someone else or themselves)
- Conflict Resolution** To avoid gossip and to immediately resolve any concerns by following the principles of Matthew 18:15-17, which begins with going directly to the person with whom we have an issue
- Spiritual Health** To challenge and encourage one another to live a healthy and balanced spiritual life that is pleasing to God.
- Limit Our Freedom** To limit our freedom by not serving or consuming alcohol during Small Group meetings or events to avoid causing a weaker believer to stumble and not showing up intoxicated (1 Corinthians 8:1-13, Romans 14:19-21)
- Welcome Newcomers** To invite our friends who might benefit from this study and warmly welcome newcomers
- Building Relationships** To get to know one another outside of the group time and pray for each other regularly
- PEACE Motivated** To work towards understanding how our group can effectively do personal, local, and global PEACE
- Shared Responsibility** To work with each other and develop group ownership as each one of us helps with group responsibilities (rotate homes, study facilitators, snacks, drinks, collect prayer requests, etc)

**Other**

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