NEW PRESENCE

Life Group Agenda for July 23rd - 29th, 2017

**WELCOME** (5 minutes) - Welcome everyone. This is a time for us to focus inward on our relationships with one another. Share the Goals and ONE Guideline at this time.

**Ice-Breaker** - Go around the group and let everyone answer the following question:

1. What is one thing that you did for fun in the last four weeks?

**WORSHIP** (10-15 minutes) - This is a time for us to focus upward on our relationship with the Lord. Prepare a creative worship time that can be enjoyed by children, teens and adults. You will release the children to Kids' Slot time after the worship.

💡 **Worship Idea** - *Holy Spirit* by Francesca Battistelli. [Click here to view.]

**WORD** (40 Minutes) - **Read John 16:1-7**

2. LIFE GROUP LEADER - For the next four weeks, we will be studying the Holy Spirit. **Before** the Life Group meeting, find verses in the Bible about the Holy Spirit. (Enough for each person attending) Put them on different index cards, type up a list, OR create a list and have each member read a verse from their own Bible. (HINT: There are some great ideas in the sermon notes!)

3. Based on the verses read, what are some benefits or characteristics of the Holy Spirit?

4. Why do you think it was better for Jesus to leave and the Holy Spirit to come in His place?

5. What things in our lives tend to waiver our faith?

6. How does the Holy Spirit speak to you when your faith is shaken?

7. What is the wisest counsel that you have ever received from the Holy Spirit?

8. What actions put you most in tune with the Holy Spirit? (i.e. Christian music, prayer, fasting, personal devotion time, etc.)

9. Which area of your life do you need the presence of the Holy Spirit?
WITNESS (25 Minutes)

BREAKOUT LEADERS: Remember that the BREAKOUT is intended to cultivate transparency, accountability, and relationships that can later serve as a pathway for ongoing equipping and discipleship. Identify and recruit prospective leaders in advance. You should consult the Goals and Guidelines For Breakout Leaders to help you identify, as well as, prepare future BREAKOUT and multiplication Leaders.

Break into smaller, like-gendered groups of 3-4. Address the following questions:

- What is a significant truth that you have learned or been reminded of tonight?
- What specific area(s) of your life do you need the Holy Spirit's counsel/wisdom?
- How can we help support you, encourage you, or hold you accountable in that area?
- How else can we pray for you this week?

CLOSING (5 minutes)

- Share ministry assignments for next week, who is bringing snack, who is hosting Life Group next month, who will help with the children, etc.
- Life Group Connect Weekend is in ONE week, July 29th and 30th. Please invite your Life Group to attend with you. Lanyards will be available to everyone! Ask your Life Group Pastor for your Life Group Leader t-shirt, if you don't already have one.
- Flourish, Celebration's Fall Spiritual Growth Emphasis, begins on Bring a Friend Weekend, August 19th and 20th. Begin praying for the friends, relatives, associates and neighbors that you would like to see Flourish.