



## ***NEW PERSPECTIVE***

Life Group Agenda for August 6th - August 12th, 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.](#) **(This is very important, especially with new people coming into Life Group!)**

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

1. If you had to describe yourself using three words, what three words would you use?

**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** - *Beloved* by Jordan Feliz. [Click here to view.](#)

**WORD** (40 Minutes) - **Read John 16:16-24**

2. What tone of voice do you hear in verses 17-18?
3. What events are Jesus referring to in verses 20-22?
4. How does the joy that the world offers differ from the joy that we, along with the disciples, experience?
5. **Nehemiah 8:10b says the joy of the Lord is our strength**, why is joy so important to a follower of Christ? And how can we allow joy to strengthen us in times of difficulty?
6. What power is there when we experience pure joy in the Lord (Verses 23-24)?
7. How has surrendering to the Lord given you a new perspective in life?
8. The disciples allowed their sorrow to be transformed into a mission of spreading the gospel when they got a new perspective, how can we allow the Lord to use our sorrows for the benefit of others? (2 Corinthians 1:4)
9. In the sermon this weekend, the pastor shared activities that help us "experience the Lord's presence," which one comes easiest for you and which one is most difficult? (Praying daily, Reading God's Word daily, Attending Church faithfully, Attending a Life Group weekly, Listening to Christian music, or Living godly.)

## 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 sorrow or difficulty are you or a loved one currently going through?
- 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.
- **Flourish, Celebration's Fall Spiritual Growth Emphasis, begins on *Bring a Friend Weekend, August 19th and 20th.* During this time we are encouraging each of you to take your friends, family members, co-workers and/or neighbors through the Flourish book by facilitating a Flourish Group. This gives each of us the opportunity to share with others Who God is and what He would like to do in our lives. If you or anyone in your Life Group is going to begin a seven-week Flourish Group, [click HERE](#) to let your pastor know.**