LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

MARCH 22 - MARCH 28, 2026

1

WELCOME - (5-10 MINUTES)

Welcome Everyone. Introduce yourself and any new individuals.

Have a member read ALL of the group goals and ONE guideline.



BREAK THE ICE:

What is the most interesting costume you have seen at a party or event?

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WORSHIP ACTIVITY - (10-15 MINUTES)

Ask the Life Group to stand up & sing together.

Getting Ready

Maverick City Music and Upperroom

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WORD - (15-20 MINUTES) READ Luke 14:15-24

1. What excuses do the invited guests give for not attending the banquet and what do those excuses reveal about their priorities?
2. Who does the master invite after the original guests refuse the invitation and where are these people found?
3. What instructions does the master give his servant after the poor, crippled, blind, and lame have already been brought in?
4. What does the banquet represent in this parable? What does it reveal about God's invitation to people?
5. Why do you think Jesus emphasizes bringing in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame? What does this tell us about God's heart and the nature of His Kingdom?
6. When the master says, "Go out to the roads and country lanes and compel them to come in," what does that reveal about the urgency and mission of God's Kingdom?
7. What kinds of "excuses" today can keep people from responding to God's invitation or participating in His mission?
8. Who are the "highways and hedges" people in our community–the ones who might feel far from God or unlikely to walk into church on their own?
9. What is one practical way this week you could participate in extending God's invitation?

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WITNESS - (10-15 MINUTES)

BREAKOUT TIME: Break into smaller, like-gendered groups of 3-4. Address the following question(s):

- Who are three people you will invite to Easter services?
- How have you seen the Lord work through previous invitations to church?
- Stop and pray for those that we are inviting to attend worship services to accept Jesus' invitation into His Kingdom.

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CLOSING ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

- **Now is a great time to invite your friends, relatives, associates and neighbors to Life Group! Who do you know that needs to be in a Life Group?**
- The Lord is calling us all to The Great Commission – spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ to our (F.R.A.N's) Friends, Relatives, Associates, and Neighbors. As we approach Easter, let's remember to be mindful of who we can invite to church. Since our lives are a ministry, there is power in extending God's love and grace to the people around us!