

GOOD GROUP HABITS

It's important to get a small group started on the right foot by establishing some healthy patterns from the very beginning! As you prepare for your first group meeting, read over these Good Group Habits and be prepared to dialogue about them.

Prioritize Group – Be faithful to attend, arrive on time, and come prepared. If you need to miss group, please let your Navigator know ahead of time.

Pursue Spiritual Growth Together – Our purpose is to grow in full devotion to Jesus. That means connecting relationally and engaging deeply with God's word. Let's pursue both friendship and faith together.

Engage in Group – Growth happens when we show up expectantly and engage intentionally. Read, reflect, ask questions, and come ready to learn.

Communicate with Care – Speak with kindness and respect, giving others the best chance to receive what you say (Ephesians 4:29). Don't dominate the conversation—make room for others to share.

Listen Well – Listening is a form of love. Show care by truly hearing others and resisting the urge to quickly respond with advice.

Be Honest and Safe – Push to tell the truth about yourself. Your vulnerability gives others permission to do the same. And honor confidentiality—what's shared in group stays in group. Note: Navigators are accountable to a Group Guide and, with discretion, may share information with them in order to seek counsel.

Stay Focused – Help the group stay on task. The best conversations happen when we keep the study and discussion centered on the topic at hand.

Pray for Each Other – Get to know the people in your group and bring their needs to God. And let them do the same for you.

Think "Gospel First" – Let the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus shape how you view every topic, situation, or struggle. Encourage one another to follow Jesus faithfully, even in hard moments.