

GROUP GUIDELINES

It's a good idea for every group to put words to their shared values, expectations, and commitments. Such guidelines will help you avoid unspoken agendas and unmet expectations. We recommend you discuss your guidelines during Session One in order to lay the foundation for a healthy group experience. Feel free to modify anything that does not work for your group. We agree to the following values:

Clear Purpose: To grow healthy spiritual lives by building a healthy small group community

Group Attendance: To give priority to the group meeting (call if I am absent or late)

Be Committed: To commit to purchase a book (1 per person) and to commit to do the daily readings, reflecting, & answering questions

Safe Environment: To create a safe place where people can be heard and feel loved (no quick answers, snap judgments, or simple fixes)

Be Confidential: To keep anything that is shared strictly confidential and within the group

Conflict Resolution: To avoid gossip and to immediately resolve any concerns by following the principles of Matthew 18:15-17

Limit Our Freedom: To limit our freedom by not serving or consuming alcohol during small group meetings or events so as to avoid causing a weaker brother or sister to stumble (1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Romans 14:19-21)

Welcome Newcomers: To invite friends who might benefit from this study and warmly welcome newcomers.

Build Relationships: To get to know the other members of the group, encourage, and pray for them regularly

Other:

We have also discussed and agree on the following items:

Child Care:

Start Time:

Ending Time:
