DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS AT CITYGATE

WHAT IS A DISCIPLESHIP GROUP?

A Discipleship Group is a small group of people (same gender) committed to intentionally walking with one another to learn to love Jesus, follow Him in obedience, and serve Him with their lives.

Distinctives:

- · Gender specific to allow for deep vulnerability
- · Closed group to protect safe environment for sharing
- High level of commitment, necessary for consistency and growth
- Follow a curriculum map to ensure strategic development
- Intentional leadership
- Multiplication expectation

The aim of a DG is that with the help of the Holy Spirit and one another, we will grow in the following areas:

THE WORD

Growth in discipline, understanding, and the ability to handle the Word of God.

THE PRAYER

Growth in active prayer with God and trusting the Lord without ceasing.

THE FELLOWSHIP

Growth in authentic, honest, sharpening community.

OBEDIENCE

Growth in active obedience in all ways and in the fruit of the Spirit.

MULTIPLICATION

Growth in leading people to life in Jesus and making new disciples.

DG LEADER QUALIFICATIONS & EXPECTATIONS

- Must have completed CG Basics and CG Core Foundations
- Affirm our church's theological positions described in CG Basics and our statement of faith
- · Must have been walking with Jesus for at least one year.
- Demonstrate commitment to the church body through regular attendance.
- Demonstrate Christian maturity in the areas of personal integrity and roles at home, in the church body, and within the work place (Titus 1:7-9)

HOW LONG SHOULD A DISCIPLESHIP GROUP LAST?

A discipleship group is designed for a small group of people to walk with one another through a process for at least one year.

WHAT CURRICULUM DO WE USE?

The curriculum was developed specifically for Citygate to be a tool in the hand of the disciple maker. It is important to remember that curriculum doesn't make disciples, disciples make disciples. The curriculum map will serve as your guide as you help others grow in the areas of love, obedience, and service to Jesus.

Phase I - Know Christ

Establish a rich inner life of love and devotion to Jesus by building consistency in spiritual disciplines.

- 0. The Goal
- 1. Prayer
- 2. Bible Study
- 3. Worship
- 4. Fasting
- 5. Solitude

Phase II - Imitate Christ

Become rooted in gospel identity by studying Ephesians. Grow in understanding of who God is and who we are in Jesus. Learn to live as a follower of Christ in every practical role and sphere of life.

- 0. The Priority
- 1. Chosen
- 2. Saved
- 3. Reconciled
- 4. Community
- 5. Conduct
- 6. Roles
- 7. The Battle

Phase III - Serve Christ

Discover how God has uniquely designed you so that you can use all that He has given you to build His Kingdom on earth.

- 1. Fruit of the Holy Spirit
- 2. Ministry Gifts
- 3. Giving

- 4. Serving
- 5. Witnessing
- 6. The Great Commission

WHAT IS THE TARGET?

We are striving to make multiplying disciples who love Jesus, follow Jesus in obedience, and serve Him with their lives within the church and world.

HOW DO I GET STARTED WITH MY DISCIPLESHIP GROUP?

- 1. Fill out an application
- 2. Interview with a staff member
- 3. Attend Orientation
- 4. Invite a couple people you already know that demonstrate a hunger to grow and are teachable to go through a discipleship process. We will add more people who sign up into your group. (Group size is designed to fit the leader and will be determined)
- 5. Determine a place and time when you can all meet together regularly.
- 6. Attend Group Launch Party.