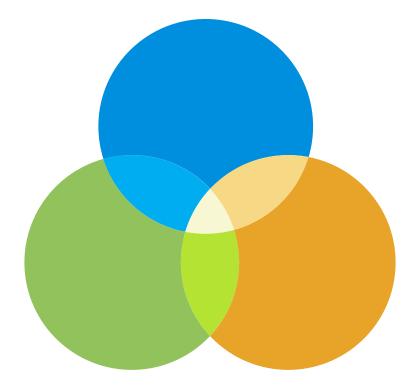
## Leading an Effective Life Group



Equipping Adults To Love God, Love People, Share Jesus, and Make Disciples



#### Believers in the early church thrived by living biblical, relational, and missional lives.

<sup>42</sup> They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.<sup>43</sup> Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe: and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles. <sup>44</sup> And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common; <sup>45</sup> and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. <sup>46</sup> Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart. <sup>47</sup> praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

#### Acts 2

## BIBLICAL

Upward Toward the Lord

### Effective Life Groups Do: SPIRITUAL GROWTH

### Effective Life Groups Are Led By: A Teacher

#### **Purpose:**

Teaching

#### **Biblical Mandate:**

Therefore as you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, having been firmly rooted and now being built up in Him and established in your faith, just as you were instructed, and overflowing with gratitude. Colossians 2:6-7

### The Teacher Points People UPWARD By:

- **1.** Teaching biblical truth.
- **2.** Developing spiritual disciplines.
- **3.** Celebrating continued growth.



## RELATIONAL

Inward Toward Each Other

### **Effective Life Groups Do:** BIBLICAL COMMUNITY



### Effective Life Groups Are Led By: An Inreach Leader

#### **Purpose:**

Shepherding

#### **Biblical Mandate:**

And let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near. Hebrews 10:24–25

# The Inreach Leader Points People **INWARD** By:

- **1.** Helping relationships flourish.
- **2.** Engaging group members and guests.
- **3.** Providing compassionate care.



## MISSIONAL

Outward Toward the World

### **Effective Life Groups Do:** EVANGELISM + OUTREACH

### Effective Life Groups Are Led By: An Outreach Leader

#### **Purpose:**

Serving

#### **Biblical Mandate:**

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth. Acts 1:8

# The Outreach Leader Points People OUTWARD By:

- **1.** Mobilizing group members to serve.
- 2. Equipping people to share Jesus.
- **3.** Inspiring the group to invite others.



Life Groups that align their efforts are effective at equipping adults to love God, love people, share Jesus, and make disciples.



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