

Leading an Effective Life Group



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

Effective Life Groups Are:



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

*“**42** They were continually devoting themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. **43** Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. **44** And all those who had believed were together and had all things in common; **45** and they began selling their property and possessions and were sharing them with all, as anyone might have need. **46** 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, **47** 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

Effective Life Groups Are:



BIBLICAL

Upward Toward
the Lord

Effective Life Groups Do:

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

Effective Life Groups Are Led By: A Teacher

Purpose:

Leading

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



Effective Life Groups Are:

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
3. Providing compassionate care



Effective Life Groups Are:

MISSIONAL

Outward Toward
the World

Effective Life Groups Do:

EVANGELISM + OUTREACH

Effective Life Groups Are Led By: An Outreach Leader

Purpose:

Mobilizing

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. Equipping group to serve and share Jesus
2. Inspiring group to invite others
3. Connecting guests with group



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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