

# CORE Group

CONFESSION   OTHERS   READING   ENCOURAGEMENT

*A simple, reproducible way to make disciples.*

## 1. BIBLE READING

Commit to read a large section of Scripture each week (15-30 chapters). When someone doesn't finish, the other(s) will stick with them as a way of keeping one another accountable and supported.

**What does it say?**

*How would I sum up the passage in my own words? Any questions?*

**What does it say about God?**

*Jesus? Holy Spirit? God's character and nature?*

**What does it say about people?**

*What can we learn about people & their reaction to Truth?*

**What will I do about this?**

*Change in behavior or beliefs? "I will..."*

**What do I need to share?**

*Do I know someone who needs to hear this passage?*

## 2. QUESTIONS (Each person takes turn sharing):

- How are you... Relationally? Physically? Mentally? Spiritually?
- What is God saying to you?
- How are you responding to God's prompting?

**When you are ready...**

- Do you have any sin to confess? Self-examination resource: [www.table.org/22questions](http://www.table.org/22questions)
- Is there anything you desire to keep secret?

*After each person shares, others can seek clarification or offer encouragement before praying over them. When sin is confessed, pray words of forgiveness over them. (i.e. "In the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.")*

## 3. PRAY for your People of Peace to know Christ and for new group members.

Draw them to You, God.    *JOHN 6:44*

Make them seek You.    *ACTS 17:27*

Send someone to share Your love with them.    *MATT 9:37-38*

May they hear and believe the Word of God.    *1 THES 2:13*

Lead them to confess Christ as Lord.    *ROM 10:9-10*

# CORE Group Commitments

*A CORE group is 2-4 people of the same gender who regularly meet to engage in transformational questions, encourage one another, and pray for others to know the love of God. When the group grows to 4-5, it multiplies to start a new group.*

## **1. Respect the clock**

Each person has 15-20 minutes to share. Please do your best to stick to that time frame.

## **2. Challenge by choice**

You have permission to skip a question at any time if you do not feel ready or able to respond.

## **3. Limit cross-talk**

When someone is sharing, listen intently and avoid interruption. Offer advice only when a participant invites it.

## **4. One Counselor**

When someone is sharing, pay attention to how the Holy Spirit might prompt you to pray.

## **5. Comfort with empathy**

Hold space for others with open hearts. Rather than offering pity or sympathy, show up and tune in—bless, encourage, and build up.

## **6. Community of grace**

When someone confesses sin, affirm their forgiveness through Jesus by saying, “In the name of Jesus Christ you are forgiven.” If someone shares a secret, thank them for their courage.

## **7. Strictly confidential**

Never share another person’s story, struggles, successes, sins, or secrets outside the group.