

GROUP FACILITATION

FOUR PHASES IN PROCESS:

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CONNECTION	PRAYER	REVIEW	GEBED
DIVINE TRUTH	WORD	DISCOVER	WOORD
NURTURING RELATIONSHIPS	OBEDIENCE IN RELATIONSHIPS	OBEY	GEHOORS IN VERHOUDINGS
APOSTOLIC OUTREACH	WITNESS	SHARE	GETUIENIS

1) ATMOSPHERE (PRAYER)

Introduction: REVIEW

- What are you thankful for this week?
- What problems or needs do you have this week?
- Is there any way the group can help you?

Accountability:

- What was last week's lesson all about?
- Who did you share last week's passage with?
- Did you do anything different since our last meeting?
- Have you experienced God since the last time that we met?

2) DISCOVER (WORD)

Read discovery passages aloud:

- What happens in this passage?
- What does this passage tell us about God?
- What does this passage tell us about people?

Do NOT teach the truths in the passage!

Ask questions until they discover the basic truths in the passage.

Let them speak about the passages before them.

Do not allow them to jump to books, sermons, doctrine and opinions.

Let them speak out of their own heart!

Now that the group members have discovered truths from God's Word, help discover what they need to do to obey these passages.

3) OBEY (RELATIONSHIPS)

Ask questions to help individuals and groups say how they will obey. Help them make specific commitments like: “I will”... or “we will” statements (or their cultural equivalent).

Encourage them to help each other actually obey.

Help them move from a general statement such as ‘I will love God.’ to a specific statement, ‘I will love God by ...’

At the end – ask them to write down / memorize their obedience statement. If they are willing, have them share it with the group. Then ask them to pray with each other for God to accomplish His plans through them in this area of obedience.

- How do I need to change how I relate with God?
- How do I need to change how I relate to others?
- What am I going to have to struggle with to obey this passage?
- How can my fellow Christ-followers help me obey this passage?
- What other questions do you have about this passage?

4) SHARE (WITNESS)

Put into practice what I have learned this week.

Share with others what I have learned this week.

Help to meet the needs in the group and in the community.

- Do you know anyone you can share this story with?
- Do you know anyone who needs help? What can this group do to help them?

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