

Life Together Group Week of October 25

Connect Together: Practice Contagious Fellowship (10 min)

Did you worship as a child? How would you describe the worship service of your childhood? **Or**

What kind of worship style do you find most comfortable? The most challenging?

Grow Together: Practice Intentional Faith Development (35 min)

Say the memory verse together:

“As high as the sky is above the earth, so great is his love for those who honor him.

As far as the east is from the west,

so far does he remove our sins from us.”

(Psalm 103:11-12)

Read the Sunday Text: Mark 10:46-52

Summarize the Sunday message

Host Tip: *Invite people to answer at least one of the questions below. If there is time, several can be answered. If your group is larger than 5 or 6 it may be helpful to divide into smaller groups of 3 or 4 for discussion.*

1. What insights do you have or what applications are you working on from the Sunday message or the Transformation Journal?
2. During Sunday’s message, Gail mentioned that “Jesus is always on the side of the underdogs” Do you agree/ disagree? Why?
3. In the story, Jesus stopped for the blind man – Bartimaeus. It was because Jesus’ heart was ***deeply moved*** with compassion when Bartimaeus cried out for mercy. This applied not only to Bartimaeus’ incident but every time the sick, needy or helpless ones cried out to Jesus. Are there needs you can identify (within yourself / family/ church / or community) that might deeply move the heart of Jesus?
4. If Jesus were to come now and ask you: “what do you want me to do for you?” What would be your answer? (What has been lost that you would like to have back again – e.g. Joy? Strength? Courage? Confidence? Peace? Trust in God wholeheartedly?)
5. After Bartimaeus was healed from blindness, he followed Jesus along the road. He walked with Jesus as he made his way to Jerusalem for his final time – to suffer and to face death. How can you strengthen your walk with Jesus “along the road?”

Serve and Share Together – Practice Risk-taking Mission and Service (10 min)

With whom are you called to stand?

Who does Jesus miss most?

What boundaries do you need to cross to stand with those Jesus misses most?

How can you begin or continue to develop these relationships to not only “stand with people” but also seek ways to include them in your life together?

Reach Out Together – Practice Radical Hospitality (10)

Continue to raise the question who else can we invite to take part in our group.

Worship Together – Practicing Passionate Worship (10 min)

Offer a closing prayer and then divide into groups of two or three to share prayer concerns.

Assignments for next Week

Refreshments _____

Summarize Sunday Message _____

Other _____