

2020

SMALL GROUP VIRTUAL MEETING GUIDE

This guide was created for groups that...

- Are not currently doing a study
- Are in a season of life where having "homework" is really challenging
- Are brand new and need to get to know one another
- Are experiencing a challenging season where check-ins and prayer are the highest value



5 MOVEMENTS

FOR ONLINE GROUP MEETINGS

1. Fun Connection Icebreakers
 2. Check-in
 3. Spiritual Connection
 4. Next Steps / End the Meeting
 5. Pray
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This guide was created using contributions from experienced small group leaders, to help you customize your group time.

Choose one option from each movement, one movement to focus on per meeting, or a combination of any of these elements.

Fun Connection Icebreakers

MOVEMENT 1

INVITE YOUR SMALL GROUP TO DO ONE OF THESE THINGS BEFORE YOU MEET. USE THEM AS ICEBREAKERS, TO SPARK CONVERSATION AND LEARN MORE ABOUT ONE ANOTHER.

- Wear a funny hat or your favorite hat.
- Bring your favorite drink or snack and share why you love it.
- Change your virtual background to your favorite vacation spot.
- Show one thing that is broken in your house that you want to fix.
- Bring the most meaningful gift you've ever received.
- Sit in your favorite chair or favorite room & tell why.
- Drive to one place that's closed due to COVID that you wish were open. Tell the group why it's so special. Do your meeting from the parking lot!



Check-in Options

MOVEMENT 2

CHOOSE ONE OF THESE TO START YOUR MEETING.

Share one thing that made you laugh this week. Share one thing that was hard.



Heart Check: - Answer these 3 questions:

1. What is in your hand? (What are you reading? Why?)
2. What voice is in your ear? (What are you listening to?)
3. What is stirring in your heart? (What's weighing on you, filling you up, or are you wrestling with?)

How are you coming into our meeting today? Explain why.

- On a scale of 1-5
- Using SASHET (Sad, Angry, Scared, Happy, Excited, Tender)

Share your rose (high), bud (something you're looking forward to) & thorn (low).

Spiritual Connection

MOVEMENT 3



CHOOSE ONE OF THESE TO CENTER YOUR CONVERSATION AROUND CHRIST.

Answer one of these questions:

- How has God been meeting you this week?
- How has your time with God changed during shelter-in-place?
- Have any themes been coming up repeatedly with you during your time with God?
- How has your experience of God changed during shelter-in-place?

Choose one question from the weekend study guide to answer.

Read through one chapter of Psalms and share what stood out to you.

Share one scripture you meditated on this week.

Next Steps/End the meeting

MOVEMENT 4



USE THIS TIME TO SHARE WHAT YOU WILL FOCUS ON THIS WEEK, AND PLAN TO CHECK-IN ON THESE DURING YOUR NEXT MEETING.



Share one prayer request for this week.

Share one scripture you will memorize this week.



Share one thing you will surrender to God this week.

MOVEMENT 5



**CLOSE
IN —
PRAYER**

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