

**Title:** Smallgroups

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fellowship

- acceptance-everyone is valued
- toby keith - i love this bar
- don't correct wrong answers
- love people as they are
- c.s. Lewis we live in a society of immortals
- authenticity-to know & be known
- we lead in authenticity
- icebreakers-questions that give people a chance to share who they are
- encourage them to get involved in each others' lives outside of the group
- honesty-grace & truth over time
- about life change, not producing smarter christians

discipleship

- we want small groups to be a place where life change happens
- focus on having healthy small groups
- don't focus on growth, but health
- spiritual growth is more caught than taught
- people need a family
- as leaders, we must walk w God
- people follow you for who you are, not what you do
- follow my example & keep things simple
- as a father deals w his children (know them)

- know who they are, how they are, how you can help them
- maintain a healthy spiritual environment
- be strategic, what do they need to learn
- focus on developing people, not asking questions
- don't underestimate growth moments
- realize the power of words
- constantly encourage spiritual next steps, application (as individuals & as a group)
- cru.comm Bible study material

### Ministry

- helping people to discover what God has created them to do
- cultivate a heart of service
  - we are all servants
- be proactive in giving our small groups away
  - don't do everything, share ownership
    - responsibility brings ownership
- be intentional ab finding opportunities to serve
  - small groups should be the hub of ministry on campus
- focus on cultivating a heart of service

### evangelism

- make it the norm
  - talk ab it often
  - de-spook-ify it
- be motivated out of a genuine heart
- be sensitive to the needs of your environment
  - relate to them in a real way
- disciple others to share their faith

- develop leaders
- pray together

### worship

- heart of worship
- is about falling in love with christ and expressing it
- sharing our lives w one another
  - celebrate w each other
  - share ab what God has been teaching you
- prayer
  - break into smaller groups to pray
  - model brief simple conversational prayers
  - write prayers on a list & divide it
  - pray through a psalm
- music
  - make a joyful noise
  - keep it simple
    - have words & sing familiar songs
- take communion
- meet together @ other times to pray