

## Student Led Groups – 4 Weeks

**Pick a Schedule:**

Day of the Week \_\_\_\_\_ Time \_\_\_\_\_

NOVEMBER and DECEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23

**Pick a Place:**

\_\_\_\_ Starbucks    \_\_\_\_ Sonic    \_\_\_\_ Park    \_\_\_\_ Other

Location \_\_\_\_\_

**Pick a Topic:**

\_\_\_\_ Book of the Bible    \_\_\_\_ Campus Prayer Guide    \_\_\_\_ Other

Plan for Topic \_\_\_\_\_

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**Invite List:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. \_\_\_\_\_

5. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. \_\_\_\_\_

7. \_\_\_\_\_ 8. \_\_\_\_\_

## Tips

### Choosing Topic:

- Remember you only have 4 weeks, so pick content you can finish.
- If you pick a book of the Bible, pick a short one! Or, plan ahead and select which chapters of the book you will read together as a group (the rest people can read at home).
- It's Christmas season, so you could read together about Jesus' birth.
- If you are meeting with people that go to your school, consider the campus prayer guide. It can be a stand-alone topic or you can add it to scriptures you are reading.

### Running Your Group:

#### Before Group

- Overly communicate! Remind people multiple times about when and where to meet! Teens that don't drive have to plan further ahead with parents to coordinate rides, so give them enough time to plan.
- Pray for your group. You could just "wing it" but even better pray beforehand.
- Ask God ahead of time if He has any encouragement for someone in your group. Listen and write it down so you don't forget.

#### During Group

- Don't hesitate in starting. Jump in quickly to the reason you are all there.
- Read the scriptures or content together.
- Ask questions! This is key. Memorize these two questions:
  - 1) What does this scripture teach us about God?
  - 2) How do you relate to this scripture?Another good question to add can be around the topic the scripture might cover. Example: What does this teach us about fear, anger, giving, hope, relationships...?
- When someone shares something, show you listened. Repeat back some of what they said. Ask them another question based on what they said. Example: If someone shared they struggle with trusting God you could ask, "Is there something specific that's hard for you to trust God with?"
- Talk to everyone in your group. Ask everyone to share.
- You set the tone as the leader by how vulnerable you chose to be. If you answer a question really honestly first, others will be more likely to as well. If you show that you feel safe to be honest, others will feel more safe too.

#### Closing the Group

- End in prayer. Pray for the people in your group.
- Pray for your school.
- Talk about is there anyone God is putting on someone's heart to invite to the group next week.