



## Group Leader Guide

October 13th, 2024

### Group Announcements:

- Missions Trip to Croatia – Sign up to go by October 30th
- Live Worship Recording – Nov 8 @ 6 pm with Clayton Hackett – invite everyone
- If you would like to Host a group in the next season let your group leader know and attend the training - Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Attendance:

- Group leaders please submit your attendance by person's name to [stella@winacity.com](mailto:stella@winacity.com) no later than the day after your group meets

### FELLOWSHIP:

During this time, you may plan for food. This could be anything from just snacks to a full dinner.

Use your group chat and create a place where people can be informed of the times for your group and also what to bring for food.

Games are also appropriate. Youtube and Google have many games listed that you can choose from.

### WARM UP:

As a starting point for your group discussion, you may want to ask some questions that will get people talking and help share about themselves.

- Have you had a time in your life when you made (created) something.. it was your idea, and someone else took the credit by claiming the idea (product) as their own? How did this make you feel? – 10 min total time for discussion

### LEARN IT:

- **Read** - Genesis 1:27 (NASB95)
- <sup>27</sup> ***God created man in His own image***, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.

Does God own the copyright rights to mankind simply through creation? How does this affect our daily life as His creation and our response to Him? Allow 3-5 min for discussion

- **Read**, Genesis 2:7 (NASB95)
- <sup>7</sup> Then the LORD ***God formed man*** of dust from the ground, ***and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life***; and man became a living being.

Have you heard the belief before that God didn't create man at all or that man evolved from a lower life form? How do you think this shapes society today through our education system? If God created mankind, does He not own mankind? Does mankind not owe God accountability for their actions? Allow 3-5 min for discussion

# LIVING FAITH

## SHARE IT:

God is purposeful in everything He does. This means that when God created mankind he breathed purpose and reason for its existence. It is our responsibility to lean in and find out what that purpose is for each of us individually. Here are some main purposes of mankind that apply to every human being on this planet

- Relationship – with God and with each other – John 14:16 – Christ’s work on the cross repaired the broken connection with God and through the Holy Spirit we can commune with Him again
- Character – God has no greater desire than to reproduce His character and the traits of His Kingdom in us – II Peter 2:1-4
- Function – this is a family business – God wants us to go about the Kingdom business on His behalf – Matthew 28:18
- Reproduction – God wants His Kingdom to expand; more souls to be born again out of sin, regenerated to new life - John 3:3 (NASB95)

<sup>3</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, **unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.**”

Read through the scriptures in each point. Give some time for everyone to comment on some of these: **5 min discussion**

## LIVE IT:

- **Do you feel like you live life to the fullest? Have you discovered your specific God give purpose by beginning to operate in the 4 basic functions set by the Word of God?**  
**5 min discussion**

## PRAY:

**Use a group chat (WhatsApp, Messenger etc.) and add everyone in your group. As prayer requests are given in the group time, make one message with all the prayer requests and post it in the chat. Encourage everyone to pray for the needs throughout the week. You may also post daily encouragement for everyone like scripture verses, encouraging thoughts, spontaneous hangouts etc.**

- spend about 10-15 minutes collection prayer requests and then praying
- give each group member a chance to pray for a need

## Suggestion:

- You may lay hands on people who need healing, after you have asked for permission.
- You may also take communion together
- If you have the space and availability, you may do a time of worship

## Suggested timeframes for your group:

- 20-30 minutes for fellowship
- 10-15 minutes for Warm up
- 30 minutes for the study
- 10-15 minutes for sharing needs and prayer