

**Group Leader Guide – March 30th, 2025****Group Announcements:**

- 3 services launch – April 6 (8 am | 9:30 am | 11:15 am)
- Easter Sunday – April 20<sup>th</sup>
- I Love My City – May 17-18
- Freedom conference – June 20-21
- If you would like to Host a group in the next season let your group leader know!

**Attendance:**

- Group leaders please submit your attendance by person's name through our Leader Tools page [winacity.com/leader-tools](http://winacity.com/leader-tools) –

**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 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.

- **If you were able to time-travel to any event in history, what would you choose, and why? 10 min total time for discussion**

**LEARN IT: Loyalty is tested in adversity.**

**Read:** 2 Chronicles 15:1-2

*Now the Spirit of God came on Azariah the son of Oded, and he went out to meet Asa and said to him, "Listen to me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin: the Lord is with you when you are with Him. And if you seek Him, He will let you find Him, but if you forsake Him, He will forsake you."*

**Can you recall a time when you faced a difficult decision and had to choose between loyalty to God and your own desires? - Allow 3-5 min for discussion**

**Leader Note:** It is easy to be obedient when everything is going well. We must be careful not to let fear lead us to poor decisions and relying on our own strength rather than trusting God's Promises.

**SHARE IT: Measure your obedience**

**Read:** Hebrews 13:17

*Obey your leaders and submit to them, for they keep watch over your souls as those who will give an account. Let them do this with Joy and not with grief, for this would be unprofitable for you.*

What role does obedience to God play in receiving His blessings? How can we measure our obedience in practical ways? - 3-5 min discussion

**Leader Note:** We can have full access to God's blessings when we release our unforgiveness, practice radical generosity, and fully surrender our obedience to Him. These are not conditions for God's blessing, but rather the pathways through which his blessings are easily accessed.

### **LIVE IT: Count the Cost**

**Read:** Luke 14:28

*For which one of you, when he wants to build a tower, does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if he has enough to complete it?*

How has God's faithfulness to His promises impacted your life personally? What rewards or blessings have you experienced because of your obedience? Share briefly Allow 5-10 min for reflection and prayer (maybe turn on some worship music)

**Leader Note:** Loyalty to God brings blessings that far and above exceed any cost. They are more valuable than any temporary hardship we face when we choose obedience. Jesus' death on the cross was the ultimate cost of loyalty to God's redemptive plan. God considered the cost and reward of redeeming humanity when he sent his only son to bring us back into relationship with Him.

### **PRAY:**

Use a group chat (WhatsApp, Messenger, Instagram etc.) and add everyone in your group. Post your groups prayer requests here during your meetings and throughout the week. Encourage everyone to pray for these needs daily. You may also post or do video live as a daily encouragement for everyone like scripture verses, encouraging thoughts, spontaneous hangouts etc.

- **What is one action you can take this week to demonstrate greater loyalty to God and his promises? Leaders, please prepare some YouTube worship music and spend some time with your group waiting in His presence and worshipping Him.**
- give each group member a chance to pray for any other needs
- Share testimonies with each other; you may send them to [stella@winacity.com](mailto:stella@winacity.com) so we can encourage the church

### **Suggestion:**

- You may lay hands on people who need prayer 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