

Group Leader Discussion Guide

This Group Leader Guide is to give each Crosspoint Group Leader a framework for conversation each week. Conversation will vary from week to week. Over time, your group may need less direction, but this guide will serve as a way for you to navigate meaningful conversation each week.

1. Begin with prayer

This may sound overly simple, but it is important to begin the night with prayer. Open by asking God to help give transparency, good conversation, and conviction where needed. Ask for the Lord's help and direction for the group meeting.

2. What was a highlight from your week?

This question is a simple way to get the conversation beginning. This can be as simple as a fun experience someone had that week, or it could be a very spiritual highlight from the past week. This is a good time to catch up on things that people may have asked for prayer for in previous weeks.

3. Which day of reading was most impactful for you? Why?

Each week, your group members will be reading five days of reading. With each group member (hopefully) journaling his/her thoughts each day, this is where you begin to ask the question: which day of reading was most impactful for you this past week? As each person shares, have them share why the reading was impactful on that specific day. Did they learn something new about God? Did they have an important next step to take based off the reading that day? These answers will vary consistently and each person may have a different day, but this is a great way to hear many different perspectives and catch up on the reading plan.

4. What questions did you walk away with?

Throughout reading the Scriptures, we should have some questions that come up in our time each week. These may be questions with simple answers, or larger questions that may need more time studied over. Whatever the case may be, this is where you want to open up for any questions that people walked away with. Again, these could be very practical questions about life, or more biblical questions based off a story someone is reading for the very first time. You shouldn't feel pressured to have all the answers, but this is a great way to encourage further study and critical thinking.

5. What sin are you fighting in your life this week?

The final two questions each week are aimed at making sure that people are living out their faith, not simply gaining head knowledge. This question is applicable each and every day for the life of a Christian. As we grow in our faith, we should see sin in our lives that needs to be put to death. Discuss it in this time. This time, Lord willing, will become very vulnerable. Foster a safe environment for people to share struggles, confess sin, and encourage one another with the Gospel.

6. How do you need to live out what you learned this week?

Lastly, we would do a disservice to everyone if we didn't seek to apply what we have learned. We not only want to hear the Word each week, we also want to live it out (James 1:22-27). This is where some action should be happening week in and week out. What are we going to do with what we learned? Do I need to share my faith with a coworker? Seek forgiveness from someone I sinned against? Or do I need to devote more time to prayer? Whatever the next step may be, this is where we want to help our group members live out what they learn.