
COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS

OPEN: This Thanksgiving season, let's continue what we began last week. Share something you especially appreciate about the person sitting to your left. If it's the same person as last week, change seats!

What stood out from the sermon this week?

READ: Matthew 18:15-20, 1 Corinthians 9:8-12, and Ephesians 6:5-9.

DIG: How do the above passages address the components of a healthy church family?

What would happen if one of these three components (addressing sin, honoring pastors, and valuing people) were absent from the church? What would suffer?

Have you ever had a deep spiritual burden for someone you love? How did/does this affect you?

Why should pastors receive generous prayer, love, and support? How can we each personally encourage our own pastors?

CHALLENGE: Dream for a moment what it would look like if all church members were fully engaged in following Jesus. How could they help people struggling in ongoing sin? How would they treat each other if they could look past differences of age, income, ethnicity, gender, etc. to focus on making the church a growing, healthy family? What steps can you take to shift this from a dream to a reality in our own church family?

REFLECT: Healthy Community Groups are foundational to being a healthy church family. To learn more about being spiritually healthy as a group and church, login to your RightNow Media account and watch the five-minute video, *Characteristics of a Healthy Small Group*, by Mac Lake found under "Video Elements" (cgv.mstar.church).