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Sample Small Group Covenant

Agenda

Opening prayer: — Agpeya

Discussion & Questions

Closing Prayer: Personal Prayer

Small Group Mission Statement

As we grow deeper in Jesus Christ, we believe in unity within diversity, love and compassion through the inspiration and power of the Holy Spirit. Philippians 2:1-2

“If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose. “

1. The Covenant of Love (agape):
My commitment to each individual in this group will be of the spirit that says, “Nothing you do or say will make me stop loving you.”
2. The Covenant of Availability:
A. I will be available, when humanly possible, each time our group meets, and
B. I will make myself available to any member of our group whenever they are in need.
3. The Covenant of Prayer:
I will pray for each member of our group consistently.
4. The Covenant of Confidentiality:
Understanding that the other points in this covenant are only possible in the security of a “trust relationship,” I will commit to share NOTHING outside of our group that has been shared inside our group or shared in private ministry with another member of our group.
5. The Covenant of Openness:
Understanding that I cannot know you and that you cannot know me unless we tell each other who we are, I will commit to tell you who I am, both in my strengths and in my weaknesses.
6. The Covenant of Sensitivity:
I will ask God to make me sensitive to the needs of each person in our group and I will consciously make the commitment to LISTEN to each person when they speak, whether in words, actions, or attitudes.
7. The Covenant of Honesty:
Understanding that “speaking the truth in love” is both positive and constructive unto bodily health, I will allow God to use me in our group’s growth process by telling you when I agree and when I disagree.
8. The Covenant of Accountability:
It is my conviction that God has placed me in our group “for building up the body of Christ” and that from time to time within our group it will be necessary for me to seek the mind of the Lord through the counsel and advice of our group. I will accept the responsibility for their counsel and advice and report to them what I have done with their collective wisdom.

Signature

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Psalm 86:

- 1 Hear, O LORD, and answer me, for I am poor and needy.
- 2 Guard my life, for I am devoted to you.
You are my God; save your servant
who trusts in you.
- 3 Have mercy on me, O Lord,
for I call to you all day long.
- 4 Bring joy to your servant,
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.
- 5 You are forgiving and good, O Lord,
abounding in love to all who call to you.
- 6 Hear my prayer, O LORD;
listen to my cry for mercy.
- 7 In the day of my trouble I will call to you,
for you will answer me.
- 8 Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord;
no deeds can compare with yours.
- 9 All the nations you have made
will come and worship before you, O Lord;
they will bring glory to your name.
- 10 For you are great and do marvelous deeds;
you alone are God.
- 11 Teach me your way, O LORD,
and I will walk in your truth;
give me an undivided heart,
that I may fear your name.
- 12 I will praise you, O Lord my God, with all my heart;
I will glorify your name forever.
- 13 For great is your love toward me;
you have delivered me from the depths of the grave.
- 14 The arrogant are attacking me, O God;
a band of ruthless men seeks my life—
men without regard for you.
- 15 But you, O Lord, are a compassionate and gracious
God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness.
- 16 Turn to me and have mercy on me;
grant your strength to your servant
and save the son of your maidservant.
- 17 Give me a sign of your goodness,
that my enemies may see it and be put to shame,
for you, O LORD, have helped me and comforted me.

Psalm 91:

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my
fortress, my God, in whom I trust."
- 3 Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare
and from the deadly pestilence.
- 4 He will cover you with his feathers,
and under his wings you will find refuge;
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.
- 5 You will not fear the terror of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day,
6 nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,
nor the plague that destroys at midday.
- 7 A thousand may fall at your side,
ten thousand at your right hand,
but it will not come near you.
- 8 You will only observe with your eyes
and see the punishment of the wicked.
- 9 If you make the Most High your dwelling—
even the LORD, who is my refuge—
10 then no harm will befall you,
no disaster will come near your tent.
- 11 For he will command his angels concerning you
to guard you in all your ways;
12 they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.
- 13 You will tread upon the lion and the cobra;
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.
- 14 "Because he loves me," says the LORD, "I will rescue
him; I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.
- 15 He will call upon me, and I will answer him;
I will be with him in trouble,
I will deliver him and honor him.
- 16 With long life will I satisfy him
and show him my salvation."