

Would you like to join a Small Group at Fellowship Bible Church?

Most existing groups are open to new group members, and new groups begin on a regular basis. If you have friends in a small group, ask about joining their group. If you are new to Fellowship and are looking for a place to connect, please feel free to contact us and we can help you find the right group.

Leader Tips:

1. The sermon notes are designed to be used as a guide for discussion. Don't feel like you have to use every question. Some questions will take a while to work through, others will be over in a few seconds!
2. Don't teach the lesson. The sermon was taught on Sunday morning. Just ask questions and let everyone else talk.
3. Let other people ask questions. It's OK to go "off topic" for a while. Sometimes those conversations are more interesting anyway!
4. Have fun. Relationships, not curriculum, are the heartbeat of Small Groups. So have fun with the people in your group.

Agenda for a Small Group Meeting

Gathering Time

Take 15-20 minutes to welcome everyone, catch up, and share some food!

Discussion Time

Here's a suggested format:

1. *Ice Breaker* – Lighthearted ice-breaker question (15-20 min.)
2. *Discussion* - Discussion time, Bible study, application challenge (30-40 min.)
3. *Prayer* – Prayer requests and praying for one another (15-30 min.)
4. *Planning* – Keep the vision before the group, HEALTH planning, etc. (10 minutes)

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Blast a Few Walls
Radical Church
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Warm up!

Ways I've demonstrated courage:

- Weighed myself in public.
- Gave my car keys to a teenager.
- Showered with spiders at a state park.
- Just said "no" to a vinyl siding salesman.
- Other: _____

What's something challenging you've accomplished and were happy with the results?

Talk it over!

Those who were excluded in the old system are now included in the new community.

Got Walls? God is a wall-buster.

Read Acts 8:1-40

Question: What barrier bothers you the most?

- That rope at the bank
- The curtain between first and second class
- The barrier between the Cardinals and the Royals
- The barriers blocking the exits at Highway 65 and 60.
- Other: _____

1. God calls us to be a team of bigotry-demolition experts.

—Acts 8:4-9

Lets verify and celebrate the tearing down of this wall!

—Acts 8:14-17

2. Bust Down the wall of sexual bias

—Acts 8:26-40

Question: Why does God Hate bigotry and bias?

God Calls us to be a team of bridge building experts.

Some common ground I have with my non-believing friends:

- Kids
- Singleness
- Sports
- Pain
- Marriage
- Other: _____

How do you think God can use common ground for the gospel?

In a world of walls, we need a church...

1. Which cares about the brokenness of the world and travels down the road from Jerusalem to Gaza.

The reason I can believe God will use me to reach others:

- I'm available!
- I care about my friends.
- This is important stuff.
- Sorry, I'm not there yet!
- I'm asking him to use me.
- Other: _____

2. Which opens its doors to Samaritans and Ethiopians.

One of the best ways for me to show others I care:

- Trip them, then help them up.
- Express appreciation for what they're doing right.
- Give them some practical help.
- Shut-up and listen.
- Do something fun together.
- Other: _____

3. Where people can ask questions, wrestle with the biblical text, and through the loving hands of fellow travelers, find the way to faith.

Question: What questions about the faith are people you know asking? Do you feel comfortable talking through these issues?

Work It Out!

One thing I'll do differently because of this sermon:
