

Group Leader Guide – March 1st, 2026

Group Announcements:

- March 1st – 22nd – Special LFC Series “This Is Us” – all groups will follow Sermon Notes
- March 29th- all groups continue with no break and sigh ups; (please review Leader email)
- April 12th – LFC moves to Sunday Nights!
- April 8th – 29th – Essentials Class for Adults Wednesday Nights @ 6:30 pm! Dinner and Childcare (ages 0-5) provided. Suggested donation \$40.00
- 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 –

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 offer a wide range of games for you to choose from.

WARM UP:

As a starting point for your group discussion, consider asking questions that encourage conversation and help participants share about themselves.

- **What feels harder for you, inviting someone to church or sharing your faith personally, and why? Share Briefly. 10 min total time for discussion**

LEARN IT: This Is Us: The Church Defined

Read: Matthew 16:18

I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.

What does it reveal about our relationship with God if we are comfortable inviting people to church but hesitant to tell them about Jesus? Share Briefly. Allow 3-5 min for discussion.

Leader Note: The early church didn’t invite people to a gathering; they introduced them to a Savior. Scripture reveals a consistent pattern: people don’t encounter Jesus through programs. They encounter Him through people who have met Him. Church is not a building, a service, or a schedule, but a body commissioned to carry Christ into the world with authority and conviction.

SHARE IT: This Is Us: Spirit-Empowered People

Read: Luke 10:19

Behold, I have given you authority to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing will injure you.

Are there areas of your life where have you accepted darkness as “normal” instead of confronting it with authority and faith? Share Briefly. 3-5 min discussion

Leader Note: The church exists to invade darkness, not coexist with it. Authority to heal, deliver, restore, and proclaim the Kingdom was entrusted to believers. Throughout history, whenever the church was properly established, darkness retreated. It emptied jails, closed bars, and reshaped nations.

LIVE IT: This Is Us: Creating Irresistible Environments

Read: Galatians 5:22-23

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law.

Are you crafting environments where people meet God—or just attending them? Share Briefly 5-10 min for reflection and prayer (maybe turn on some worship music)

Leader Note: Jesus paired supernatural power with uncompromising truth and then entrusted that model to His church. Irresistible environments aren’t about branding or talent; they’re about people who know their grace, walk in obedience, refuse intimidation, and carry the atmosphere of heaven into everyday spaces.

PRAY:

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

- Are there areas of your life where God is asking you to stop inviting and start introducing? Leaders, please prepare some YouTube worship music and spend some time with your group waiting in His presence and worshiping Him, while incorporating a chosen expression of worship (raising hands, kneeling etc.)
- 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 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