

## Group Leader Guide – November 24, 2024

### Group Announcements:

- All Church Christmas Party – Chili Contest
- End of Groups Season – Nov 24<sup>th</sup>
- Candlelight services – Dec 22<sup>nd</sup>, 9 & 11 am
- Please hand out the Groups Calendar for 2025
- If you would like to Host a group in the next season let your group leader know and attend the training - Jan 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

### Attendance:

- Group leaders please submit your attendance by person's name through our Leader Tools page [winacity.com/leader-tools](http://winacity.com/leader-tools) - no later than the day after your group meets

### 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 also what to bring for food.

Games are also appropriate. Youtube and Google have many games listed that you can choose from.

### WARM UP:

As a starting point for your group discussion, you may want to ask some questions that will get people talking and help share about themselves.

- Tell us about a project you did without the right tools. This could be in any area of life. How did it turn out? – 10 min total time for discussion

### LEARN IT:

**Read** – Genesis 1:1–2 (NASB95)

*<sup>1</sup> In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup> The earth was formless and void, and darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was moving over the surface of the waters.*

- What has your view of the Holy Spirit been up to this point? Do you see Him as a person and His divine qualities? (eternal, equal in the trinity) Allow 3-5 min for discussion

### SHARE IT:

**Read:** Acts 1:5 (NASB95)

*<sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."*

What is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit – describe in your own words. 3-5 min discussion

**Leader Note:** We are submerged in the Holy Spirit which is God's way of channeling His power through us. He administers the various gifts for the work of God's Kingdom.

**Read:** 1 Corinthians 12:11 (NASB95)

<sup>11</sup> But one and the same Spirit works all these things, **distributing to each one individually just as He wills**

**LIVE IT:**

The purpose of speaking in tongues

- We can pray beyond our understanding
- We can pray when we don't know what to pray
- We allow the Spirit to work in us in spite of our will
- We allow the Spirit to rewrite through patterns, habits, emotions etc

**Have you been baptized in the Holy Spirit? Do you speak in tongues?** Paul says that he desires that all should speak in tongues as he does (I Cor. 14:18) **Allow 3-5 min for discussion**

**If not, do you desire to be baptized in the Holy Spirit?**

**PRAY:**

**Use a group chat (WhatsApp, Messenger etc.) and add everyone in your group. As prayer requests are given in the group time, make one message with all the prayer requests and post it in the chat.**

**Encourage everyone to pray for the needs throughout the week. You may also post daily encouragement for everyone like scripture verses, encouraging thoughts, spontaneous hangouts etc.**

- spend about 5 min collecting prayers in your group chat / 10 min for prayer
- Share testimonies with each other; you may send them to [stella@winacity.com](mailto:stella@winacity.com) so we can encourage the church
- **Pray for those who would like to be Baptized in the Holy Spirit (if you need instructions on how to pray with someone about this please reach out to the LFC office)**
- give each group member a chance to pray

**Suggestion:**

- You may lay hands on people who need healing, 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