



Biblical Framework for D-Groups

The gospel came to you because it was heading to someone else. God never intended for your salvation to be an end, but a beginning. God saved you to be a conduit through whom His glorious, life-changing gospel would flow to others. You are a link in the chain of 2 Timothy 2:2, which says, “What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”

The very first disciples, the twelve hand-picked by Jesus Himself, were a part of a group. Jesus recognized being a disciple is not easy. Therefore, we should not attempt it alone. We need fellowship, encouragement and accountability with other Christ-followers.

Your effectiveness in the Christian life is significantly linked to how well you walk with other Christians.

Vision for D-Groups

Small gender specific groups that meet weekly for approximately one year with the express purpose of becoming disciples who make disciples. At the end of one year the D-group will disband and the members will lead individuals or groups in a newly-formed D-group. The ultimate vision is for each person to be conformed to the image of Christ. These are closed groups of believers.

People Involved in D-Groups

The vision will be presented to the church. An interest meeting will be held to determine people who desire to be in a D-group. People will have input into the make-up of their group. Once all the names have been compiled the groups will be formed. The groups will meet for approximately one year and then new groups will be started.

Atmosphere

A D-group creates an atmosphere of fellowship, encouragement, and accountability.

Material

F-260 reading plan from Replicate ministry

Expectations

Both the mentor and mentee will sign a disciple-making covenant.

Attend weekly meetings and complete all assigned work

Each person will lead a session during the process.

Definition of Disciple-Making

Intentionally equipping believers with the Word of God through accountable relationships empowered by the Holy Spirit in order to replicate faithful followers of Christ.