

Engage Group Meeting Agenda

Sunday, April 8, 2018 - 5:30pm-7:30pm

Fellowship around 40-45 minutes

Discussion Time (Have group be seated)

HOST: Encourage everyone's participation in the discussion time.

Remind them that they need to allow others to share as well. You can inform them that you are not being rude if you have to interrupt them if they are going too long. Also, stress once again the confidentiality that is necessary in each meeting.

Ice Breakers

Discussion/Bible Study

On Sunday mornings, Pastor Danny has been sharing about our church's values. These values are the things that define us as a church. Overall there are 9 different values that we want to live by as a church and that means we as members of RFA should seek to live these out as well. Two of these values deal with the way we pattern our church. Being biblically focused and Spirit-empowered. These are the two things that drive everything else we do.

VALUE: *BIBLICALLY FOCUSED* - We believe the Bible is without error and is the ultimate guide for all we do and teach.

Suggested Ref: Isaiah 55:10-12, John 17:17, II Timothy 3:15-16

We can create a VALUE on how important the Word of God is in our church but unless every one of us make it important, it will only be a book to us.

- 1a. As individuals, how do we become a Biblically Focused people?
- 1b. Ask the people to share how they spend time in the Bible. (Ex. Bible plans, devotional books, any other habits, etc.)
- 1c. What can the church do to help you grow in your personal Bible reading/study? (Please report these ideas to Pastor)

This VALUE is the guide for all things RFA...whether it is relationships or outreach...we want to be biblical in all we do. This means we value the Word of God above all things and we will hold true to His Word. Our desire is be a church that walks in the same power that they did in the book of Acts. This is why we have another value: Spirit-Empowered.

***SPIRIT EMPOWERED* – We will rely on the power of the Holy Spirit because we know that we can do nothing apart from Him.**

This value is our admission that without the power of the Holy Spirit, we cannot truly build a church. We can do nothing apart from Him.

Suggested Ref: Joel 2:28-29, Acts 1:8, Acts 2:1-4

- 2a. We first look at this as individuals. What does it mean to be dependent upon the Holy Spirit? How do we truly walk in the Spirit?
- 2b. For people that have not been baptized with the Holy Spirit, what keeps them from seeking the baptism in the Holy Spirit? (ex. Fear, unsure about the experience, not raised in a Spirit-filled environment, apathy, etc.) When asking this question it is important to ask in such a way that those who have not received to feel like they are less than others.
- 2c. What can the church do to help lead people to have a Spirit-filled experience? (Please report these to the pastor)

Studies have shown that Spirit-filled churches are growing all around the nation and world. It is evidence that it is something that God has for His church today.

Suggested Ref: Acts 5

- 3a. Why do you believe that the Spirit-filled church is growing? What sets the Spirit-filled church apart?
- 3b. Prayer is critical for the Spirit-filled church. What are ways that we can increase the prayer ministry and opportunities at RFA? (Please report these to the pastor)

Conclude by 7:30pm

(Instruct the ones with kid's at church to pick them up promptly)