

FIRST STEPS CURRICULUM FOR NEW or EXISTING LIFE GROUPS

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Life Groups have the option to work through the *First Steps Curriculum* as a catalyst to develop a Life Group rhythm. Make sure group members have the First Steps Curriculum one week before the first session. The Leader Guide begins on page 45.

Relationships take time. They require effort and intention. Getting people who might not know each other well, live near each other, or even work with each other to routinely come together can be nearly impossible – unless a common thread unites them. For believers, that thread is the Gospel. The Gospel shifts our focus so that we no longer see ourselves at the center of life, instead our focus is on Christ. People whose lives have been transformed by Christ begin to make choices towards depth and with determination.

In the following 7 weeks, you will walk through the purpose of Life Groups, share the Word of God, and learn about discipleship on mission at Faith. Each week, you will work through the *Personal Study and Prayer Section* which prepares you for the *Group Study* and the *Just Do It* activity. This includes reading and answering questions. Through your discussion and interaction with God's Word, you will be challenged as an individual and a group to grow spiritually while considering the high calling of discipleship given to the people of God.

We hope and pray that God will use this study as a catalyst for Scripture-driven discussion, stirring your affections for the Lord, and deepening Gospel-centered community within your Life Group. In our Baptism, the Gospel changed us so we could begin to see our place in God's story. There is no better place to start or continue your story than in the company of spiritual friends – a Life Group.