**Group Leader Guide – October 19th, 2025**

**Group Announcements:**

* Shoebox Packing Parties Nov 2nd & Nov 16th- Lunch Provided
* Night of Prayer & Worship Oct 26th @ 6pm
* 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](https://winacity.sharepoint.com/sites/LFCMinistries/Shared%20Documents/Life%20Groups/LG%20Curriculum/Sermon%20Notes/Oct%202024/admin.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.

* If you could form a worship band with 3 characters from the bible, who would you choose and why? 10 min total time for discussion

**LEARN IT: Worship Is The Cure For Human Pride**

**Read:** Exodus 15:20-21

*Miriam, the prophetess, Aaron’s sister, took the timbrel in her hand, and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dancing. Miriam answered them, “Sing to the Lord, for He is highly exalted; The horse and his rider He has hurled into the sea.”*

In what ways do you feel that pride can show up subtly during worship—without us even realizing it? Allow 3-5 min for discussion.

**Leader Note:** Worship is not about performance; it’s the posture of our hearts. Worship dethrones self and enthrones God. It’s not about our image, reputation, or style, it’s about surrender. Pride stands tall, but worship bows low. True worship can begin where our pride ends.

**SHARE IT: Worship Is A Response**

**Read:** Acts 16:25-26

*But about midnight, Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns of praise to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. And suddenly there came a great earthquake so that the foundations of the prison house were shaken, and immediately al the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened*

When you think about your life right now, what do your responses reveal about who or what you worship? 3-5 min discussion

**Leader Note:** Worship during hardship says, “God is worthy, no matter my circumstances. That no matter what, He is still God, and He is still good.” Worship turns our suffering into testimony, pain into praise, and offense into offering.

**LIVE IT: Worship Reorders Our Priorities**

**Read**: Joshua 4:5-6

*And Joshua said to them, “Cross again to the ark of the Lord your God into the middle of the Jordan, and each of you take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Israel. Let this be a sign among you…”*

Has there been a time when you found yourself fitting God into your priorities instead of letting Him *define* them? 5-10 min for reflection and prayer (maybe turn on some worship music)

**Leader Note:** Before Israel fought battles or built cities, they built altars. Worship always comes first—it rearranges our priorities and reminds us who deserves first place in our hearts and lives. What you prioritize reveals what you worship.

**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.**

* What is one practical step you can take this week to let worship—not your preferences, schedule, or desires—shape your decisions and actions? **Leaders, please prepare some YouTube worship music and spend some time with your group waiting in His presence and worshiping Him.**
* 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