

Small Group Lesson 5 | "Grow Together: Lean and Look In

Main Idea: To enter into a relationship with those who will call me to live up to my values and commitments. (5 minute video)

Get Connected:

- 1. Tell the group about someone other than your spouse or significant other with whom you share your thoughts, worries, and hopes on a regular basis.
- 2. To whom do you turn in times of trouble? Why?
- 3. How do you seek feedback from others? When was the last time you received feedback? How did you respond?

In the Word:

Read Hebrews 10: 24-25

- 1. What comes to mind when you hear the word "spur?"
- 2. Why do you think the writer of Hebrews used such a provocative word? How could someone spur you on "towards love and good deeds?"
- 3. How have you experienced encouragement by meeting with other believers regularly? How is your life different when not receiving that regular dose of encouragement?
- 4. "The Day" is short for "The Day of the Lord" or the imminent return of Christ. How does this impact your sense of urgency to encourage others?

Read Galatians 6:1-2

- 1. What is sin? How do we recognize sinful behaviors in ourselves and in others?
- 2. What is the responsibility of the community to someone caught in sin? What does this look like?
- 3. How might a believer be tempted while helping restore someone caught up in sin?
- 4. How does carrying one another's burden fulfill the law of Christ?

Application:

- 1. What can we do to "spur one another on towards love and good deeds?"
- 2. What do you feel and think when you hear the world "Accountability?"
- 3. Recall a time someone offered unhelpful, maybe even unsolicited, advice from someone. How did you feel? How will you avoid doing the same to others?
- Identify a new commitment you will make and invite one person to hold you accountable.



Closing Prayer: Amazing God, you demonstrated your great love for us, while we were still sinners, by allowing Jesus to die for us on the cross. We are grateful for your grace and hopeful because of how you continue to work in us. Give us the courage and wisdom that we need to help one another be accountable for that which is important to you. In Jesus name, amen.

