PRINCIPLES AND GOALS FOR SMALL GROUPS DISCUSSIONS

Leader's guide: SG12-3

Lecture time: 75 min.

Discussion time (Part I): approx. 30 min. Discussion time (Part II): approx. 30 min.

Lecture handling instructions

- Leader, personally memorize the 12 principles from the outline prior to your presentation.
- ➤ Throw them out to the group by saying: Today we will study 12 principles - -.
- First of all you, the leader, need to know them; 2nd you need to wisely implement them during the Seminars; 3rd you need to set an example. If it is not important to you, it will not be important to your attendees; so why do this presentation at all then?

Leader's Oral Opening Comments

> Today we will study 12 principles that will make you a successful Small Group Discussion Leader. They are........

Leader's Oral Closing Comments

- Let us find out if we can quote the 12 small group principles together. Who can give me some? Who can add some? Etc!
- Let us discover if the 7 small group goals are in our minds. They need to be in our minds before they can be in our hearts. Brother 'A' how many can you share? Brother 'B' how many can you add? Lastly we covered 4 types of questions: What are the 4 types? Who can give all 4?

Discussion instructions

Discussion time (Part I): approx. __ min.

- > Stop the video at the end of the section called "Twelve Principles for Successful Small Groups," thus before the section called "Seven Small Group Goals" starts.
- Allow your students to discuss the questions in Part 1 (questions 1-17) in their groups.
- > Discussion time (Part 2): approx. __ min.
- After they have discussed those questions, watch the remainder of the lecture before answering the questions in Part II (questions 18-34).

Prayer instructions

This lecture has 3 sections. It might work well to divide into 3 small groups for prayer; each group covering one section, with participants choosing their topic from the outline. This means they will personalize asking God how they can become more effective by using these.

Pass-out material instructions

Print 3 copies of the outline for small group prayer leaders.

Practical assignments The practical assignments for this lecture are most applicable for coaches already leading groups. For those coaches not yet leading a group but anticipating to do so an alternative has been inserted in parentheses ().

Be prepared to have a discussion time at the next session for the men to share especially where they were *successful* in implementation.

Special adaptations for unique groups

- As you review this lecture beforehand, try to find and add orally applicable illustrations if you are doing this with mentors for one particular type of small group (not just CBLT courses). This will make it more alive and personal for these men.
- With this same idea of leading a Seminar for a particular group of coaches like *New Life* Mentors or *Church Planters* then adapt and rewrite the discussion questions to their particular needs.
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