

# CENTERPOINT LIFE GROUP LEADING FAQ

## 1. What is a life group?

- At CenterPoint, we want everyone to be connected to God and to others. The main way we do this is by helping people join a life group. Life groups are supportive environments where people can make progress in their faith. They're defined by 5 characteristics: A loving environment where people learn about Jesus, lend a hand to others (service), laugh together (fellowship), and leave a legacy (sanctification).

## 2. What if I don't know enough?

- That's okay. Here at CenterPoint, we don't need you to be an expert on biblical languages or the end times in order to lead a small group. If you *love Jesus* and *have a heart for people*, you've already got most of what you need to be a great life group leader.
- That being said, you'll never learn as much from being a life group participant as you will by being a life group leader. Every life group leader I've spoken to has told me about the tremendous impact leading a group has had on their relationship with Christ, knowledge of God's Word, and developing their spiritual gift(s). There's no challenge like leadership... and God equips those He calls to it.

## 3. What if I don't have the space to do it?

- That's no problem. Depending on your campus, we may have room there or we can pair you up with another person who will host the group at their house.

## 4. What will our group study?

- Your group will dig deeper into Sunday's messages for the first 2 months of meetings. A 1-2 page curriculum will be accessible to you that will help you lead the meeting from start to finish. It includes good icebreaker questions, a brief biblical background on the main text you'll discuss, questions to get the discussion going, and even what to emphasize during prayer. Our message-based curriculum not only helps everyone continue to process Sunday's message, it also gives you time to get acclimated to leading before choosing a more involved curriculum.
- If you'd like to change from message-based after your 2<sup>nd</sup> month, you can choose any study on Right Now Media. You may also request a different study but these must be approved by me at least a month ahead of time.

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## 5. How do I become a Life Group Leader?

- After praying about it, if you want to continue in the life group leadership process, there are three more steps.
  - **Application.** We want to make sure that all our leaders have a theology that lines up with our church. So we've created a short application that will allow us to determine whether or not now is a good time for you to begin leading. You can access it here (takes 15-20 minutes):  
<https://centerpoint.ccbchurch.com/goto/forms/488/responses/new>. Please complete this within 2 weeks of receiving it.
  - **Gifts Test.** We believe that every Christian has been given a spiritual gift for the edification of the church (Romans 12:3-8). As a result, please complete the following test and email back a screen shot so we can ensure a teaching role is the best place for you: <http://fivefoldsurvey.com>. Please complete this within two weeks of receiving it.
  - **Training.** Before the season starts, we will hold a mandatory training for all new life group leaders. We will do our best to make sure there are at least 2 options for the training so you can pick the one most convenient for you.

## 6. How long does a life group last?

- We ask each Life Group leader to commit to at least one season (September – June). During the months of January, July, and August all life groups are on break so that more people can take advantage of our classes (Basics, Next, or Equip).