

SMALL GROUPS

Women's Bible study small group time is a valuable opportunity for us to come together in a more intimate setting where we can confidentially discuss what we are learning and how it applies to our lives.

Our primary goals during small group time are to:

- ◆ Discuss homework
- ◆ Discuss what we think and feel about the lesson
- ◆ Ask and answer questions
- ◆ Build spiritual relationships
- ◆ Pray for each other's personal requests
- ◆ Provide a confidential place to share and grow
- ◆ Point each other to God!

Our small group time will be the most beneficial when we each:

- ◆ Attend regularly
- ◆ Complete assignments
- ◆ Participate in discussions
- ◆ Share personal stories
- ◆ Ask questions
- ◆ Share from our hearts and minds
- ◆ Listen well
- ◆ Limit how long we speak so that everyone has time to share
- ◆ Stop ourselves from giving unsolicited advice or trying to "fix" problems
- ◆ Embrace getting to know each other
- ◆ Come prepared with personal prayer requests
- ◆ Keep discussions confidential
- ◆ Pray for each other outside of group
- ◆ Point each other to God!

Your small group leader has committed to pray for you regularly during this class. She is also available to discuss class content or life issues with you one on one. If you are in need of more specific spiritual, physical or emotional help, your small group leader will connect you with other confidential, caring resources within our church community.

We are so thankful that God has given us the opportunity to come together and learn more about Him. We pray the teaching time and small group time will deepen your understanding of God's word and draw you into a more intimate relationship with the Heavenly Father.

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you a spirit of unity among yourselves as you follow Christ Jesus, so that with one heart and mouth you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6