

WELCOME - ICE BREAKER:

5 minutes

Have you ever been a part of a really close group of people? What was that group? What was it like? How did it feel? Have you ever experienced this with other Christians?

WORSHIP - OPENING PRAYER and PREPARATION

Read: John 17:20-26

Spend some time in prayer thanking, praising, and adoring God.

WORD – B3’s . . . Be in Small Groups

Read ACTS 2:42-47

These are some of the Core Values of small groups here at Center Pointe. Match the core value to the verse in Scripture.

*(Let them come up with the answer for the verses. Don't give correct answers to quickly. Ask, if they are wrong or close, "Why do you think that?" or "Does anyone else have a different verse? This is a great time for group interaction. Take your time doing this because it forces them to look at Scripture. The verse answers below are not the only answers)*

VALUE

VERSE

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|------------------|--------|---|
| • Love           | 46     | <i>“glad and sincere hearts”</i>  |
| • Growth         | 47a    | <i>“enjoying the favor of all people”</i>   |
| • Outreach       | 45b    | <i>“gave to each one as he had need”</i>  |
| • Relationships  | 46     | <i>“ . . . Meeting . . . and eating”</i>  |
| • Multiplication | 47b    | <i>“Added to their number daily”</i>  |
| • Way of Life    | 42, 44 | <i>“The devoted themselves. . . .they were together and had everything in common”</i> |

*(In verse 46 the church met in the temple and in small groups.)* Why do you need both? How are they the same? How are they different?

How often did they connect with each other? Is that too much? Too little? Is this realistic? Why or Why not?

Is it easier for us to connect with each other now or was it easier back then? *(Back then: Simple lifestyles Now: Communication Technology)*

Now that we know it is important to stay connected, how can you stay connected with those in your home group this week?

Read verse 47b

How can your small group be used to lead other to Christ? *(Keep asking for the practical real life ideas)*

What is the connecting structure of the home group? And how does this help fulfill the great commission? Mt 28:18ff

*(Zone Supervisor to Coaches, Coaches to Home Group Leaders, Home Group Leader to Apprentice, Apprentice to some of the members, one-on-one discipleship relationships within the group.) ( Take some time to talk about discipleship making process that Jesus and, then later, the early church modeled for us.).*

How does this passage show the early church doing life together?  
What does it mean for us to do life together?

How does God use our home to fulfill the great commission and an extension of the kingdom of God?

**(Print the section below out for your members to fill out individually then discuss together.)**

## Core Values

On a scale of 1 – 5 (1 being the least, 5 being the most) how would you rate your small group?

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|------------------|-------|---|---|---|---|---|
| • Love           | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| • Growth         | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| • Outreach       | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| • Relationships  | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| • Multiplication | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| • Way of Life    | You   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|                  | Group | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

## WORSHIP - PRAYER

Educate about prayer

Take request and pray.

## WORKS

How did Group-link go on Sunday?

What about the summer?