



WE > ME “Gather”

Gather:

We are so excited to see groups launching and people taking responsibility for their spiritual growth. Ever wonder what the goal of small groups are? Ultimately they are meant to equip you to daily walk with Jesus, and to allow the Holy Spirit to work through you to love people well. Ask the following questions to see how it's going.

- How am I doing loving the people God has given me to love?
- Why is God so good?

Change:

- Think back to the message and share what theme, verse, or point stuck out the most? Why? *Remember to bring your Update to group to refresh your memory.
- We talked about the power of small groups:
 1. A place to grow spiritually
 2. A place to grow relationally
 3. A place to reach others
- Talk as a group and write down some goals you would like to work towards as a group.
- Read 1 Corinthians 9 19-27 using the “Devotional Method”. (For the devotional method you simply read the passage and you meditate on it till the Holy Spirit shows you how to apply truths to your life. The goal is application not just interpretation.) Some points to consider while meditating on this.
 1. Work through it verse by verse.
 2. Spend time praying for insight on how to apply this truth to your life before you read.
 3. Meditate and share insights with each other. How should Jesus’s words affect our lives? Visualize the scene. Put yourself in the shoes of the disciples.
 4. Consider when you study this that these are the last words that Jesus speaks before he ascended into heaven. How important must these words be if they were the last ones that Jesus spoke to his disciples?
 5. Write out an application. Don’t just talk about it, actually write out action steps you can take.

6. Memorize a key verse in this passage that can help you apply the truths you've learned.

Serve:

- This semester we want you to make it a priority to Love God and to Love others. We are asking you to commit to two things. #1 Apply the bible study methods you practice in small group during the rest of the week. INVEST in your relationship with God. #2 Get involved as a group and have an impact on this city! You will notice that we are highlighting and partnering with a few local organizations that are doing amazing things in Gainesville. If you don't already have people and places to impact in mind, join up with one of our Shift partners. We want to challenge you to spend at least one day/group time per month serving and loving those around you, and making a real impact on this city, all for the sake of the gospel. BY ALL POSSIBLE MEANS!
- Step 4 of growth track this coming weekend. If you haven't attended the growth track, this is your invitation.