

### **Question 1 --What are you Thankful for?**

- An easy way to jump into the group.
- Invite someone to start (if no one starts) “Sara, what are you thankful for today? [*What put a smile on your face?*]
- This question will help you expose the group to prayer. Prayer is expressing our thanks to God. Eventually you will be able to show how to express thanks to God in addition to sharing with one another.

### **Question 2 -What is the biggest challenge you are facing today?**

- Authenticity is key to a community of Jesus followers. This question helps people learn how to relate deeper. [*What made you feel sad or stressed you out?*]
- Be careful though, this question can lead to time management issues in the group. Using the word, “today” or “one thing” can help limit the discussion so this question doesn’t derail the group.

### **Question 3 - Is there someone we can help or encourage?**

- Meet practical needs in the group and in the community. This could be one of your neighbors, classmates or *someone in this group.* [*Encourage each other, and consider who they know that needs some encouragement*]

### **Question 4 - How did you do with what you learned last week?**

- *What did we talk about last time? – give some prompts, but allow the group to fill in the details.*
- How did you do with last week’s I will and sharing?
- *How did you put into practice what you learned from last week’s lesson?* Look for ways to help each other.

### **Question 5 -What does God say?**

- Read the selected Bible passage aloud in 2 different versions if available.
- Have one person re-tell the passage in their own words. You may want to appoint that person before you read.
- Ask others to help add to what may have been missed or their insights (Ask, “what caught your attention?”)
- Ask “What does it say about God?” “What does it say about people?” “What does it say about God’s plan for us?”

### **Question 6 – (If this is God speaking) What will you do about it?**

- Develop a tangible statement that you will put into practice what you learned from the designated passage.
- For example, “I will take 10 minutes a day to reflect on how much God loves me”
- “I will begin to recycle because God has given me the earth to take care of.”
- To help make good “I will” statements you might need to take a few minutes of silence to let each person think about an “I will” statement then ask someone to start sharing what they have developed.
- Work to get “I will” statement specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time bound.
- Make sure someone records the “I will” statements so you can ask next week about them.

### **Question 7 -Who will you Share it with? (what you learned this week)**

- Share with at least one person already in your relational network.

**Discovery Questions, Scripture lists, and more tips at [dgapp.org](http://dgapp.org)** - Tip 1 Do not allow just one person to teach or explain; Tip 2 A good facilitator does not give answers but asks good questions; Tip 3 Give everyone a chance to share even if you have to call on people to invite to share; Tip 4 Don’t only read the passages, put them into practice - Obedience is the goal; Tip 5 Share with other people what you are learning about your life with God