
RENOVATION GROUP FALL KICK-OFF

Fall Kickoff: A Hospitable Home



Do you see your group as an extension of the church? How can you work on growing the church this year through your Renovation Group? Who might you invite? What leaders will emerge that might from new Renovation Groups? How can you make your group a safe and hospitable place for those in need of encouragement + grace?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Take a few moments and reconnect as a group. Consider this question: where did you see God at work this summer? What was the closest and furthest you felt from God this past summer?

2. **Read John 14:1-14.**

Do you hear a theme of hospitality in this Scripture? Whether your answer is yes or no, offer verses, words, or images from the Scripture passage to provide evidence of your position.

3. Consider the connection between Jesus preparing a place for us in 14:1-4 and the connection or closeness between the Father and Son in 14:8-11. What does the closeness of the Father and Son reveal to us about the divine intent for relationships? According to the passage, how is this closeness of the Father and Son opened up to each one of us?

4. When we are invited into the family of God, there are a number of benefits to us. Take the time to create a list as a group. What shocking revelation does Jesus offer in 4:13 about our position in his family? What greater things would you like God to do in and through you this year?

5. (15 minutes) Take time to pray together as a group. Pray for God's guidance in the following areas: (a) For renewed personal spiritual vitality throughout this school year (b) For God's grace as a group in caring for one another and holding one another accountable in love, and (c) to bring at least one new person or family to your group.

BE THE REVOLUTION

God makes room in his family for us, so we can make room in our families for others.

RENOVATING THE HEART

For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do (*Ephesians 2:10*).