

Caring for the Spiritually Immature

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Groups can be messy!

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Two things we must recognize:

- You aren't the Holy Spirit.
 - *“For it is God who works in you to will and to act in order to fulfill his good purpose.” - Philippians 2:13*

Two things we must recognize:

- Don't miss out on what God might want to teach you.
 - *“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.”*
- 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Steps to help those struggling to grow.

- **Friendship**

- Getting together outside of group
 - Road Trip
 - Go to an event
 - Grab a bite to eat



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- **Create Intentional Conversations**
 - Ask questions that build relationships
 - Once you ask a question, be a good listener
 - Coach don't preach

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- **A Plan**

- Share Ideas
- Read Together
- Growth Goal Cards
- Utilize Resources



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- **Accountability**

- Focus on one spiritual discipline each week
- Check-in on Growth Goals
- Email/Text out prayer requests
- Assign pairs to follow up each week

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- **Model It**

- Share openly about your struggles
- Share a specific goal you want to grow in
- Ask for accountability



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- **Pray**

- Pray as a leader
- Pray as a group
 - Pattern prayer inside of group
 - Encourage prayer outside of group

Have appropriate expectations

- (Parent) How would I treat my children?
- (Child) How does God treat me?
- (Beggar) Am I praying?



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