



# Week 1: Know It

## 1 WHY IS IT IMPORTANT TO HAVE \_\_\_\_\_?

- A. You will always become like the people you are closest to.
  - I. 1 Corinthians 15:33: “Do not be deceived: \_\_\_\_\_ company ruins \_\_\_\_\_ morals.”
    - a. Reflect on a situation when maybe you felt someone was influencing you to do something you knew was not right (e.g. swearing, gossiping, lying).
      - i. The Bible tells us that we are in the world, but we are not \_\_\_\_\_ the world (John 17:16).
        - 1) Being in a relationship with other believers means each of us is sanctified in the truth, and can push each other to what His Word says instead of what the world says.

## 2 HOW DO I DEVELOP GODLY RELATIONSHIPS IN MY LIFE?

- A. Hebrews 10:24-25: “And let us consider how \_\_\_\_\_ to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but \_\_\_\_\_, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”
  - I. We are encouraged to \_\_\_\_\_ (e.g. SOZO each week, in small groups, serving, Bible studies, and celebrating the wins in each other’s lives).

## 3 WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF COMING TO CHURCH?

- A. It reminds us of what the \_\_\_\_\_ says and how to live out a life the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. The three most important assignments for a church are to:
  - I. Evangelize, Care, and Disciple
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_: Spreading the love of Jesus by public preaching or witnessing
    - b. \_\_\_\_\_: To look after and provide needs for members of the congregation
    - c. \_\_\_\_\_: To help others know and follow Jesus as they take their next step with Him
  - II. Ephesians 4:12-13: “...to \_\_\_\_\_ the saints \_\_\_\_\_, for building up the body of Christ until we all achieve the \_\_\_\_\_, and of the knowledge of the \_\_\_\_\_ to mature manhood, to the measure of the \_\_\_\_\_.”
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_: To provide someone with what they need to fulfill their God-given purpose
    - b. \_\_\_\_\_: Bringing together different people and giftings by FAITH in Christ



# Week 2: Have It

## POP QUIZ: WHOEVER ANSWERS CORRECTLY GETS A PRIZE!

A. What are the three most important areas a church must shepherd their people in?

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A. What does it mean to evangelize?

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A. What does it mean to care?

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A. What does it mean to be disciplined?

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## ACTIVITY

- A. You will receive a notecard.
- B. Take three minutes and make a list on one side of the notecard to identify characteristics you want to have in a Godly friendship.
  - a. On the other side of the notecard, identify qualities about yourself that make you a Godly friend to others.
- C. Go around in a circle and share what you wrote down on your list.
- D. The small group leader will put all the notecards in the middle and as a group pray over the notecards.

## NEXT STEP

- A. Jesus did not come to be served BUT to serve others and lay down His own life.
  - I. How can you serve others with your life and make an impact?
    - a. Children's ministry, café, welcome team, worship, etc.
    - b. Go to the Starting Point booth if you desire to make this next step.





# Week 3: Share It

## 1 WHAT ARE SOME REASONS YOUR FRIENDS MAY NOT KNOW THE IMPORTANCE OF A GODLY FRIENDSHIP OR COME TO CHURCH?

- A. They didn't grow up in church.
- B. They don't surround themselves with other Godly friends.
- C. They didn't receive Jesus into their hearts.

## 2 STORY FROM SMALL GROUP LEADER

## 3 SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCES WITH CHURCH OR FRIENDS THAT HAVE HAPPENED INSIDE OF SOZO

- A. Have there been any friendships you have made in SOZO that have impacted your life?
- B. Was there a specific message or time in worship that accelerated your relationship with God?

## 4 ACTIVITY

- A. Revisit Point 1: Identify 1-2 people you can share what you have learned over the last 3 weeks!
    - a. This could be someone from your school, sports team, or a student off the Shepherding Report who has not been back to church.
  - B. Identify 1-2 people you want to text to invite to church or to make plans with outside of the church.
  - C. Templates:
    - I. "Hey \_\_\_\_\_! We miss you so much at SOZO! In service this month we have been learning so much about \_\_\_\_\_. Next week during service we have \_\_\_\_\_. I would love to see you. How can I help to make sure you can be here?"
    - II. "Hey \_\_\_\_\_! I hope you are doing well. I wanted to text you and see if you have anything going on next Wednesday. I am going to church, and I wanted to invite you to come with me! In church, we will be having \_\_\_\_\_."
    - III. Create your own messages based on your friends! These are just some examples.
  - D. Send messages together!
  - E. Celebrate!
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