

SIX WAYS TO BE A STUDENT LEADER AT SMALL GROUPS

Small groups are a great place for student leaders to connect with other students on a level that is not normally possible at weekend services. Use this time to your advantage. Here are some ideas on how to be a leader at Bible Study Small Groups:

1. It is each student leader's responsibility to be a greeter. Be friendly and introduce yourself to everyone, and be everyone's "friend". Socialize with your own friends, but make efforts to be a friendly face to unconnected people. Look for students who feel uncomfortable.
2. As student leaders, set an example. Student leaders should try to arrive a little early to help set up and stay late to make sure everything looks better than when we arrived.
3. Each student leader should commit to pray weekly for their small groups and all the groups that meet within the home. Also, pray for adult leaders and thank God for the ministry they do.
4. Each student leader should also consider themselves an apprentice within their small group. Watch other leaders and see how they interact with students and lead small groups. You can grow as a leader by watching other leaders.
5. Each student leader should consider themselves a partner in ministry with all the other leaders. Just because you are not "THE" leader in the small group doesn't mean you aren't "A" leader in the small group. Your role in the group should be to support the group leader by participating in the discussion with a sincere and humble attitude.
6. As a leader you should be plugged into a small group for your benefit. Always feel open to share. Remember leaders should be transparent. Don't let your duties as a student leader get in the way of your growth at a small group. Your spiritual growth is important!