

Leadership Intensive Fall 2018 Syllabus

September 9 – The Gospel on Every Page (Christian Crouch)

- Objective: Explain and demonstrate how every genre of Scripture across redemptive history points to Christ
- Reading [50 pages plus spiritual gifts test and emotional maturity inventory]
 - *Total Church*: Introduction, Chapters 1-2 (“Why Gospel?” and “Why Community?”)
 - *Community*: Introduction (“Diagnosis” and “Part One”)
 - Additional: Spiritual gifts test and emotional health inventory

September 16 – Brothers and Sisters in the Family of God (James Walden)

- Objective: Communicate and apply a winsome and complementarian description of gender roles in a small group
- Reading [53 pages]
 - *Total Church*:
 - *Community*: Chapter 2 (“Body”)
- Additional: “Through His Apostles, Jesus Christ Taught Gender Equality and Role Differences in the Christian Community” (Strauch) – digital copy provided to participants

September 23 – Applying the Gospel Together (Josh Parks)

- Objective: Practice applying the gospel from a variety of Scripture passages as part of small group life
- Reading [51 pages]
 - *Total Church*: Chapters 9-11 (“Spirituality,” “Theology,” and “Apologetics”)
 - *Community*: Chapter 1 (“Image”)

September 30 – Gospel Rhythms (Terry and Regina Wolfer)

- Objective: Contrast the consumeristic and individualistic liturgies of the world with alternatives that reflect gospel priorities
- Reading [63 pages]
 - *Total Church*:
 - *Community*: Chapter 3-4, 7 (“Ownership,” “Community,” and “Rhythms”)

October 7 – Knowing Ourselves and Each Other (Chelsey Crouch)

- Objective: Lay out a biblical model of emotions and apply to small group relationships
- Reading [33 pages]
 - *Total Church*: Chapter 8 (“Pastoral Care”)
 - *Community*: Chapter 8 (“Structure”)

October 14 – Growing in Christ Together (Josh Parks)

- Objective: Provide practical models for discipleship within a small group
- Reading [41 pages]
 - *Total Church*: Chapter 7 (“Discipleship and Training”), Chapter 12 (“Children and Young People”)
 - *Community*: Chapter 9 (“Repentance”)

October 21 – Small Group Evangelism (Tanner and Virginia Arrington)

- Objective: Identify each person's role in a small group's evangelism
- Reading [58 pages]
 - *Total Church*: Chapters 3 (“Evangelism”)
 - *Community*: Chapters 5-6 (“Neighborhood” and “Spaces”)

October 28 – Individual Evangelism (Christian Crouch)

- Objective: Learn how to read the Bible with non-Christians and wrap up the Intensive
- Reading [58 pages]
 - *Total Church*: Chapter 4-6 (“Social Involvement,” “Church Planting,” and “World Mission”)
 - *Community*:

Required Reading

1. *Total Church: A Radical Reshaping Around Gospel and Community* (Tim Chester and Steve Timmis)
2. *Community: Taking Your Small Group Off Life Support* (Brad House)
3. “Through His Apostles, Jesus Christ Taught Gender Equality and Role Differences in the Christian Community” (Alexander Strauch)
4. Spiritual gifts test
5. Emotional maturity inventory

Sponsorship Requirements

1. Be acquainted with topics covered in the content of the Intensive.
2. Meet at least three times with sponsor to discuss how participant can apply material in his/her small group.
3. Work with participant to teach them a skill required to lead in your small group