

# GROWTH GROUPS

Growth Groups are the friends you grow, laugh, and serve with. Thank you for stepping up to create community by leading a Growth Group. **We are thankful for your heart and passion to lead people to become fully devoted followers of Christ.**

**As a Growth Group leader,** I am committed to Journey Ministries. I have obtained my membership as a part of this local Body of Christ.

**As a Growth Group leader,** I commit to have a clear plan for my grow group, recruit people to join, follow up with those that wish to join, and do all I can to help people grow and feel more connected to Christ and to each other.

**As a Growth Group leader,** I will connect with my grow group coach on a regular basis to share stories and updates about my grow group.

**As a Growth Group leader,** I recognize the influence and visibility I have within my community. I know my words, choices, and relationship with God will be carefully observed by everyone within my sphere of influence. I know I can't be perfect, but as a grow group leader, I commit to making wise choices that glorify God.

**As a Growth Group leader,** I am equipped to teach, lead, and live in alignment with the beliefs of Journey Ministries. I know I have the support of my pastors and Growth Group committee to address any questions or issues that arise.

**As a Growth Group leader,** I am committed to...

- Putting God first in my finances by pursuing tithing.  
(Genesis 28:20, Acts 2:42-47, 2 Corinthians 9:6-9)
- Avoiding pornography  
(Matthew 5:28)
- Using my speech to uplift and edify those around me.  
(Matthew 15:11, Ephesians 4:29, Titus 2:7-8)
- Using social media responsibly  
(Matthew 18:6, Hebrews 13:18)
- Practicing a biblical view of sexuality  
(Romans 13:13, 1 Corinthians 6:9-10, 18)
  - Committing to sex only within marriage.
  - Choosing not to cohabitate outside of marriage.
  - Avoiding being active in or promoting homosexual lifestyle.



The following are the essentials that we believe at Journey Ministries. An incomplete understanding or disagreement of the following essential beliefs does not disqualify one from serving, but may require further personal follow up. If you disagree with any of the following, please address each topic on a separate sheet of paper.

For additional or further supporting Scriptures of these beliefs, please visit our website at [www.JourneyMin.org](http://www.JourneyMin.org)

**About God**

God is the Creator and Ruler of the universe. He has eternally existed in three personalities: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. These three are coequal and are one God.

Agree  Disagree

**About Jesus Christ**

Jesus Christ is the Son of God. He is coequal with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Jesus lived a sinless human life and offered Himself as the perfect sacrifice for the sins of all people by dying on a cross. He arose from the dead after three days to demonstrate His power over sin and death. He ascended to Heaven and will return again someday to earth to reign as King.

Agree  Disagree

**About the Holy Spirit**

The Holy Spirit is coequal with the Father and the Son of God. He is present in the world to make men aware of their need for Jesus Christ. He also lives in every Christian from the moment of salvation. He provides the Christian with power for living, understanding of spiritual truth, and guidance in doing what is right. He gives every believer spiritual gifts when they are saved. As Christians we seek to live under His control daily.

Agree  Disagree

**About the Bible**

The Bible is God's Word to us. It was written by human authors, under the supernatural guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is the supreme source of truth for Christian beliefs about living. Because it is inspired by God, it is truth without error.

Agree  Disagree

**About Human Beings**

People are made in the spiritual image of God, to be like Him in character. People are the supreme object of God's creation. Although every person has tremendous potential for good, all of us are marred by an attitude of disobedience toward God called "sin". Sin separates us from God and causes many problems in our life.

Agree  Disagree

**About Salvation**

Salvation is God's free gift to us but we must accept it. We can never make up for our sin by self-improvement or good works. Only by trusting in Jesus Christ as God's offer of forgiveness can anyone be saved from sin's penalty. When we turn from our self-ruled life and turn to Jesus in faith we are saved. Eternal life begins the moment one receives Jesus Christ into his life by faith.

Agree  Disagree

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return to the Growth Group Committee to be assigned a Growth Group Coach.**