



NEXT STEPS | LEADER GUIDE: *Step Four*

DEVELOP YOUR PLAN

Be sure to be near your television or streaming device — or have your remote close by so that you can pause the video when prompted.

There will be many times during this step that you are prompted to pause the video.

In Step Four, we are asking our group members to begin writing specific goals for the four characteristics of a fully devoted follower of Jesus — Loving God, growing in faith, serving others, and sharing Jesus.

Think about this as you ask your group members to write their goals:

If you were successful in accomplishing a spiritual goal, what would you gain?

If you were unsuccessful, what would you lose?

Be sure your goals are specific, measurable, and achievable. We want to identify barriers to our goals, and then we want our group members to write down their *very next step*.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

Each group member will identify current barriers to personal growth.

Each group member will create four goals based on loving God, growing in faith, serving others, and sharing Jesus.

GROUP MEETING DETAILS

1. HANG OUT

(about 30 minutes)

As you gather as a group, spend some time connecting and catching up. If your group eats together, do so during this time.

2. WATCH THE VIDEO TOGETHER

(about 25 minutes)

We designed this curriculum to be viewed as a group. Use your Next Steps Booklet to follow along and take notes.

3. COMPLETE THE EXERCISES

(about 15 minutes)

Depending on the length of the session, take some time to complete the exercises in the booklet and discuss your answers with other group members.

4. PRAY TOGETHER

(about 10 minutes)

Take time to share with each other how the group can be praying for you. Try to keep it personal and prioritize praying for one another. If someone would like to share a prayer request that is not about them personally, utilize a Facebook group or a group texting platform.

DISCUSSION TIME IN STEP FOUR

For each of the goals, barriers, and next steps, take some time with your group members to share and discuss what everyone writes down. This will help everyone hold each other accountable to the goals they set. When you are ready to move to the next section, continue the video.

We are asking each group member to share their goals, barriers, and next steps with you as their group leader. Encourage them to stay with this process! Pray for one another and take next steps together.