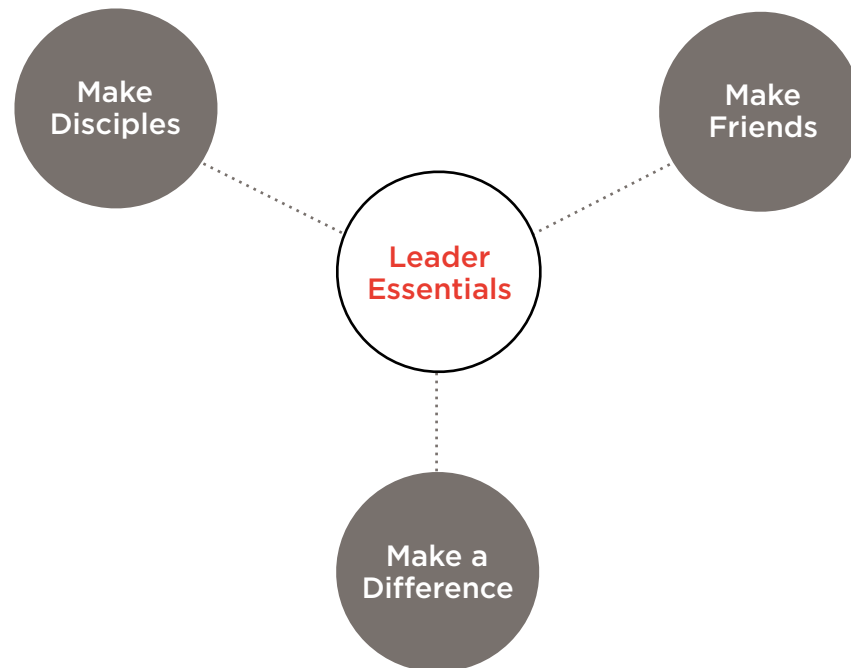


# LEADER ESSENTIALS

## *Tips For Leading Well*

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In leading groups, there are several key essentials to creating the optimum group environment for God to work in.



### **Make Disciples**

- This essential reminds us to stay spiritually nourished.
- In John 15, Jesus uses the metaphor of a vine and branches to instruct his followers to “abide” in Him. When we stay connected to Jesus in this way, we welcome God’s work in us and through us.
- *Are you staying rooted in your relationship with Jesus Christ, realizing that apart from Him you can do nothing?*
- Replace yourself! We must be preparing others for leadership.
- By passing on knowledge, skills, and opportunities, you are preparing others for future leadership while improving your own.
- *How are you intentionally investing in a potential leader in your group?*
- This essential helps us stay focused on the purpose of the group.
- If we truly value life change and leading people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ, it is important we take time to celebrate the life-change that is happening within our groups.
- *How do you and your group members celebrate the growth you see occurring in each other?*

## **Make Friends**

- This essential is focused on how we build community.
- By encouraging others and facilitating connections outside of regular group meetings, you demonstrate the priority of relationships.
- *Remember the ABC's of group life: provide Care; create a sense of Belonging; provide Accountability.*

## **Make a Difference**

- This essential expands the focus of the group beyond itself.
- Serving those outside of the group is a great way to leverage the influence of the group while strengthening the relationships within the group.
- *Is service a consistent part of your group experience?*