The 3 Colors of Community

3 week Reading Guide

Meet with a group to discuss the readings after each week.

Week 1:

Day 1
Introduction: Let’s talk about heaven and hell (pages 4-6)
(You may choose to read this section as a group to start off the process.)

Day 2
The essence of Christian community—
Why we have to address the Seven Deadly Sins (page 7)
A small group is a group that is small (pages 8-10)

Day 3
What makes a small group holistic? (pages 11-14)

Day 4
Sin—breach of community (pages 15-17)

Day 5
The 7 Deadly Sins and Christian community (pages 18-22)

Day 6
Eastern and Western views of sin (pages 23-26)

Day 7
Harnessing the energies behind the deadly sins (pages 27-30)

Week 2:

Day 1
Why it’s not enough to say “no” to sin (pages 31-34)

Day 2
Christian consumers or disciples? (pages 35-38)

Day 3
Take The Communal Test—The test can be found on pages 96-106 in the book. However, by taking the test online using the bookmark code included with your book, you will receive a customized profile of your results.

Day 4
Read through your Communal Test Summary Profile (produced when you take the Communal Test online). Consider the reflection questions contained throughout.

Day 5
Read the chapter in the book relating to your greatest vulnerability. The page number of your specific chapter can be found on the page 3 index under The Seven Communal Qualities—How to address the 7 Deadly Sins

Day 6
Read the chapter in the book relating to your second greatest vulnerability. See the page 3 index again.

Day 7
Read the chapter in the book relating to another vulnerability that you are conscious of within your life or in the life of someone close to you. See the page 3 index again.

Week 3:

Day 1
Let the light shine—Creating community that changes lives (page 107)
Sin as the absence of light (pages 108-111)

Day 2
Addressing the deadly sins within a small group (pages 112-116)

Day 3
Spiritual Change Talk (pages 117-120)

Day 4
Identifying the different voices within you (pages 121-126)

Day 5
Understanding your inner voices (pages 127-130)

Day 6
Forming your Inner Team (pages 131-135)

Day 7
Establishing more holistic groups (pages 136-140)

To read with your group at the end of week 3
Christian community—a glimpse of heaven (pages 141-144)