

# 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)