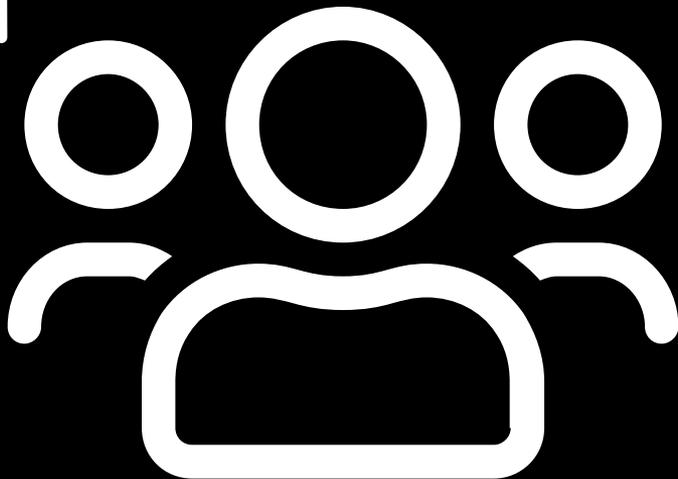
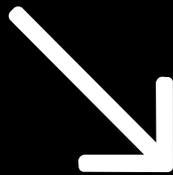


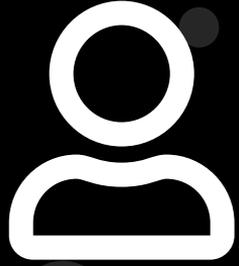
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Success for Small Group Leaders

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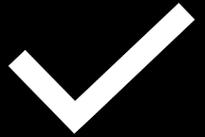
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CONNECTIONS

MESSIAH VALUES

- Spirituality
- Compassion
- Hospitality
- Belonging



Thank you!

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What builds connections?

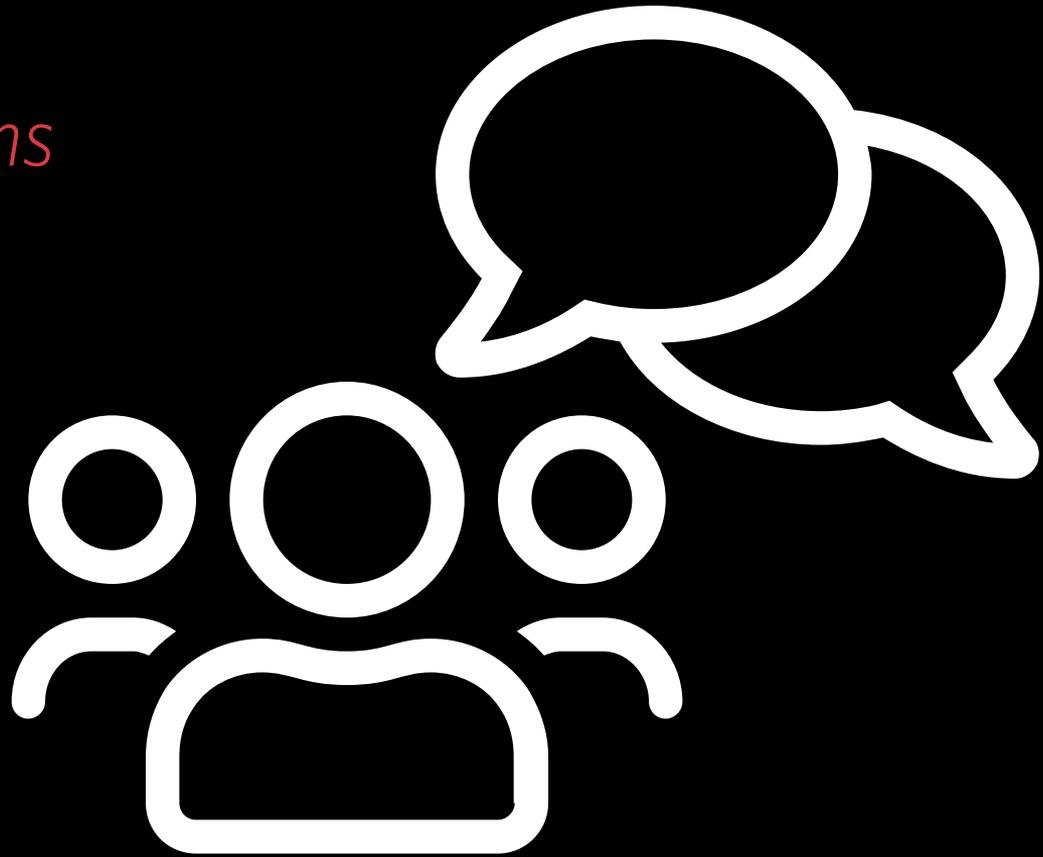
- **Good conversations**
 - Thoughtful questions
 - Attentive listening
 - Honored confidentiality
 - Shared speaking time



*Whoever is doing
the talking
is doing the learning!*

Ask questions

[pause]



discuss; not dominate | facilitate; not fascinate

Great facilitators **often** say...

- Thank you for sharing
- Tell me more about that
- What do others in our group think?
- [pause] (hmmm, let me ask it another way)
- Let's hear from some others now
- Ok. Let's move on

Great facilitators **wouldn't** say...

- I'm pretty sure you're wrong about that
- Your feelings aren't valid
- We must get to all the planned questions
- And in conclusion, here's what I think

Going in

- **Calendar & bookmarks**
- **Guide book—reading and introspection**
- **Sermons**
- **Weekly video presentations**
- **Small group guide**

Together | Lenten plan

- **Simple supper** (*optional, encouraged*)
- **Shared opening and video**
- **Break into small groups for conversation**
 - Warm-up; short, relevant Bible reading; discussion
- **Close in prayer for each other**

First small group meeting

- **When?**
- **Who?**
 - You will receive group info, in advance
 - Targeting a group size of about 7 ± 2
- **Where?**
 - Rooms on campus will be assigned and ready

First small group meeting

- **What?**

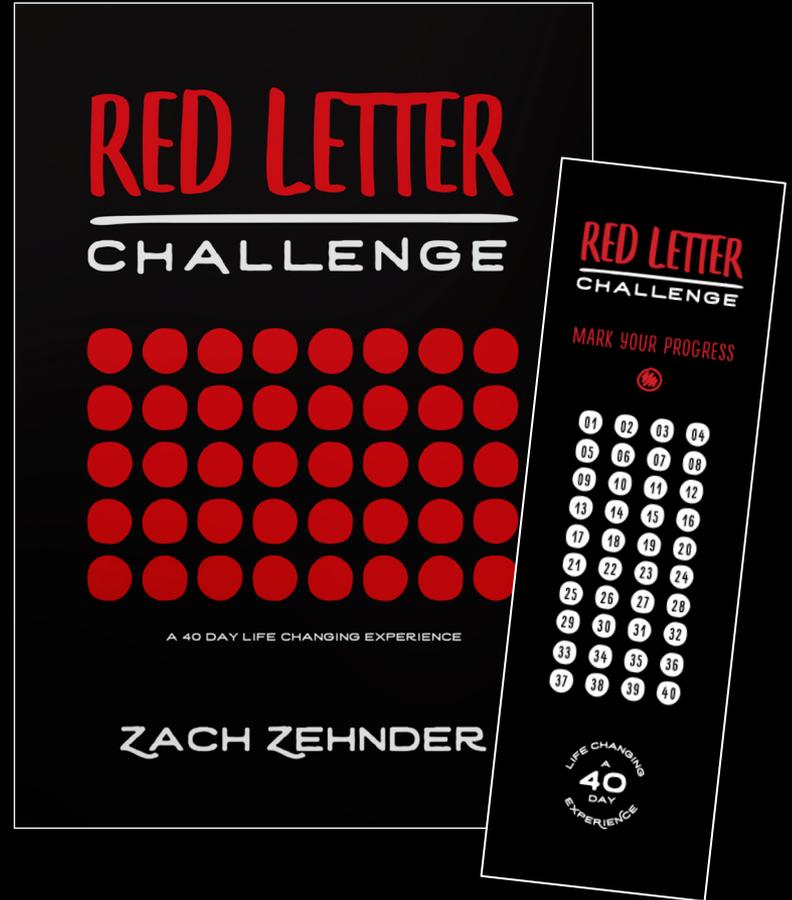
- Review the group promise
- Topic: BEING
- Be shorter than longer...ease on in
- [You] Pray for the group (see point above)
- Invite them to return

Follow up

- Encourage the missing
- Pray for your group members
- Preview next week's topic and materials
- Be thinking about multiplication

Resources

- **Messiah coordinators**
 - Carmen & Susan
- **Messiah website**
 - Small group guides
 - Video links
 - This presentation
- **redletterchallenge.com**



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Questions?

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