



VICTORY GROUPS

Planning Document

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Vision for Victory Groups Ministry

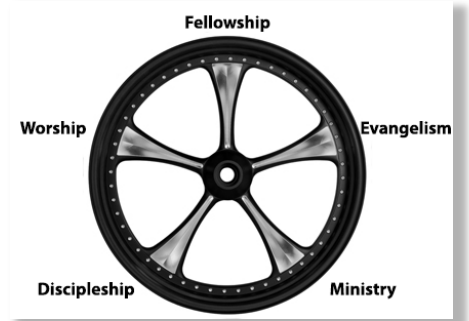
1. To see every person, from the core of our church to the ever-growing church family, connected in a healthy and balanced Victory Group.
2. To help spiritual seekers become transformed believers, in Jesus Christ, who model Christlike maturity in their lives and motivate others to do the same.

FOCUS – MOTORCYCLE 5 SPOKE WHEELS

Each group is to be healthy and balanced - focusing on the five biblical purposes based on the Great Commission (Matt. 28:19-20) and the great commandment (Matt. 22:37-40) and the five biblical purposes of Spiritual growth as believers in Jesus Christ.

The Front Wheel – helps us to focus on caring the Gospel to the streets.

- **Fellowship:** "baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, (Matt 28:19)
- **Discipleship:** "teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matt 28:20)
- **Ministry:** "Love your neighbor as yourself" (Matt 22:39)
- **Evangelism:** "Go and make disciples of all nations" (Matt 28:19)
- **Worship:** "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind" (Matt 22:37)



The Rear Wheel - helps us to focus on Spiritual growth and discipleship.



- **Prayer & Bible Intake:** causes us to pursue God by getting to know him through the Bible.
- **Community:** Christian community means your life and faith are not kept to yourself. They must be lived out through gospel-centered relationships with others.
- **Evangelism & Ministry:** God has given all believers the power (Acts 1:8) and the mandate to be a witness of the gospel.
- **Generosity & Stewardship:** Christians give generously of their time, resources, money, and energy as an act of thanksgiving for all God has given us.
- **Character:** From the moment of our salvation, God is working in us and through us to bring our lives more and more into conformity with the perfect character of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Defining our Victory Groups:

- 1) **Frequency** – *Victory Groups will meet weekly in our home/marketplaces & weekend service/ministry teams*

- 2) **Care** –
 - a. *Growing relationships (friendship & pastoring/family care)*
 - b. *Encouraging spiritual growth (making disciples)*
 - c. *Accountability through regular group/team attendance*

- 3) **Community** – *Acts 2:42-47 “And they devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread, and to the prayers. Then fear came over everyone, and many wonders and signs were being performed through the apostles. Now all the believers were together and held all things in common. They sold their possessions and property and distributed the proceeds to all, as anyone had a need. Every day they devoted themselves to meeting together in the temple complex, and broke bread from house to house. They ate their food with a joyful and humble attitude, praising God and having favor with all the people. And every day the Lord added to them those who were being saved.”*
 - a. *Teaching (Bible and interest related)*
 - b. *Fellowship*
 - c. *Food*
 - d. *Prayer*
 - e. *Sharing & giving to one another (physical/emotional needs)*
 - f. *Evangelism (sharing Christ’s love with others)*

- 4) **Multiplications** – *2 Timothy 2:2 2 “And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses, commit to faithful men who will be able to teach others also.”*
 - a. *Help to identify strengths and growth areas of each member*
 - b. *Help to identify next step of discipleship for each member*
 - i. *Assist with communications and connections*
 - ii. *Lead in prayer*
 - iii. *Host a group in your home*
 - iv. *Assist a leader*
 - v. *Lead a group/team*
 - vi. *Invite a friend, family member, neighbor, coworker to group and church.*
 - vii. *Share your testimony/gospel*

RECOMMENDED GROUP RESOURCES:

FAITH:

- *The Blessed Life, Robert Morris (DVD)*
- *Experiencing God – Henry Blackaby*
- *LIFE (Living in Freedom Everyday)*
- *The Holy Spirit, Drawing Near, Relentless, Bait of Satan, or Honors Reward – John Bevere*
- *The Truth Project – Focus on the Family*
- *The Bible – Book Study, 1-year Bible plan, 90 Day Bible (12 pages a day)*

- *The God Anthology, Mark Batterson*

MARRIEDS:

- *Love and Respect (DVD)*
- *Five Love Languages (DVD)*
- *5 Days to a New Marriage*
- *His Needs, Her Needs*

FAMILY & PARENTING:

- *Kevin Lehman – Parenting Series*
- *Loving Your Kids on Purpose, Bethel*

FREEDOM:

- *FREEDOM (Living in Freedom Everyday)*
- *Boundaries, Henry Cloud*
- *Changes that Heal, Henry Cloud*
- *Grief share*
- *Divorce care*

FINANCE & BUSINESS:

- *The Blessed Life, Robert Morris*
- *Financial Peace University*

MEN:

- *Lunch Fellowship/Prayer Groups*
- *Activities (rides, fishing, shooting, hunting, etc...)*
- *Every Man's Battle Series*
- *Authentic Manhood – 33 Series*
- *Sleeping Giant, Kenny Luck*
- *Kingdom Man, Tony Evans*

WOMEN:

- *Respectfully Yours, Love and Respect*
- *Battlefield of the Mind, Joyce Meyer (DVD/Study Guide)*
- *Nehemiah, Kelly Minter (DVD/Workbook)*
- *Me, Myself and Lies, Jennifer Rothschild*
- *Beth Moore Studies (DVD/Workbook)*
- *7 Experiment, Jen Hatmaker*
- *Lisa Terkherst Studies*

OUTREACH & EVANGELISM:

- *Way of the Master Evangelism, Kirk Cameron*
- *Evangelism Explosion*
- *Radical, David Platt*
- *The Love Revolution, Joyce Meyer*
- *When Heaven Invades Earth, Bill Johnson*
- *Freedom (Living in Freedom Everyday)*

PRAYER: any types of groups that want to pray together, pray during services behind the scene are encouraged to do so. Just let your leadership know.

SPECIAL INTEREST:

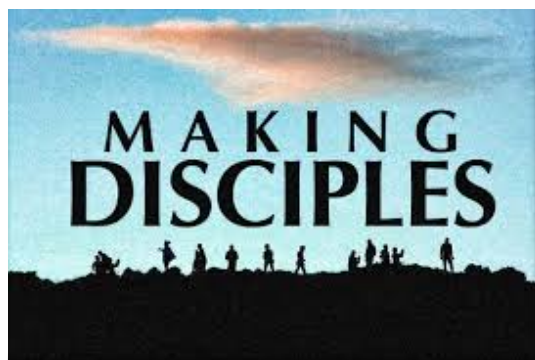
- *Prayer and Fellowship*
- *Sports (softball, basketball, kickball, flag football, etc...)*
- *Fitness (running, cycling, etc...)*
- *Hobbies (ammo reloading, quilting, cooking, shooting, etc...)*

We desire to see the groups below in every city, in every neighborhood, on every day (ie., MEETUP – DIVING DEEPTER, & Grow)

- 1) MEETUP Groups** – groups in our cities based around food, an activity, and fellowship that could be the first point of community for anyone that you know and Victory Biker Church.
- 2) DIVING DEEPER Groups** – fellowship and discussion time about the sermon from the weekend.
- 3) GROW Groups** – desire to go deeper in the Word. Suggested material for these groups are, but not limited to the following: “Authentic – Developing the Disciples of a Sincere Faith” by James MacDonald. “God Anthology” by Mark Batterson, or “Gospel Truth – Recovering the Power of Christianity” by J.D. Grear

RESPONSIBILITIES OF VICTORY GROUP LEADERS:

- Walk intimately with Jesus – Be a disciple yourself!
- Communicate promptly with your Leadership
- Be prepared for Leadership to visit your group during the semester
- *Connect regularly with other group members*
 - *Weekly emails, text, or phone calls*
 - *Oversee accountability of group – roster and regular attendance*
 - *Be available as needed to support your group if there is an emergency or important need – family care. Let Leadership know as well.*
- *Share wisdom, insight and ideas for Small Group Ministry growth*
- *Help to identify NEW Leaders – personally encourage them and share the name of that person(s) with your Leadership*
- *Be available on Connection Weekends*
- *Encourage group members to be faithful in their weekly attendance to Victory Biker Churches weekly Sunday Services and in their giving.*



BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS WITH GROUP MEMBERS:

1) Things to do: Individually & one on one with members: *

- Coffee
- Lunch out
- Lunch in your home
- Dinner out
- Dinner in your home
- Meet before or after church
- Run errands together
- Visit their groups
- Write a card, note, email
- Sit together at service

2) Things to do: Collectively with members:

- Coffee
- Lunch out
- Lunch in your home
- Dinner out
- Dinner in your home
- Meet before or after church

3) Spending time with group members:

- Prayer
- Share a devotion
- Ask questions to get to know them personally
- Share a nugget of encouragement
- Encourage them to think about their next step of growth as a potential leader

BECOMING A GROUP/TEAM LEADERS:

- Completed or currently completing the Full Throttle Discipleship Stage 2
- Join a Group/Team and experience life in a Victory Group
- Become an assistance leader of a group/team or start a group of your own
- Complete the Leaders Application
- Meet or talk with Leadership
- Submit Group Registration
- Attend ONE Leader Training
- Be contacted by your Leadership for continued connection

Lead Your Group (Use the corresponding Victory Group in Realm to record attendance for our VBCI family care. Above all love Jesus and I

REGULATIONS:

- No Group/Team Leaders are to meet one on one with individuals of the opposite sex or children

Victory Group Leader Application Packet

Thank you for your interest in becoming a Victory Group Leader here at Victory Biker Church International. Group life plays a vital role in our mission of *loving God with all that we are while making more and better followers of Christ*, as well as our vision to *Receive, Equip, Impact, and Send*. Leaders are called to love, lead, mentor, and encourage others to Christian maturity through community.

A leadership candidate should have a consistent relationship with God, a desire to be used by God to serve others, and a humble, teachable heart that receives instruction gladly. Someone suited to Victory Group leadership should also be prepared for the time commitment it takes to be an effective leader. We are NOT looking for perfect people; we ARE looking for people who know that spiritual maturity is a journey, and who are willing to help lead a few other people along the way.

There are several steps involved in becoming a Victory Group Leader. Here is what the process looks like:

1. Pray about your desire to lead a Victory group. Discuss it with your current group leader.
2. Complete the application that follows this letter.
3. Review your application with your leader. If everything looks good, forward your completed application to the Victory Group Ministry Assistant.
4. The Ministry Assistant will check your application for completeness and confirm your membership status at Victory Biker Church. Your application will be forwarded to a pastor to review.
5. You will be contacted to schedule a 60---90-minute interview so the pastor can get to know you better, review your application, and answer any questions you may have.
6. After the interview, the pastor will notify you of his decision and discuss next steps in the leader selection process.

If approved:

1. Attend a Victory Group Foundations class to learn more about your responsibilities as a group leader.
2. Launch your group at an upcoming Victory Group Connection event to meet prospective members for your new Victory group.

Thank you again for taking this important step. Please continue to pray about your decision as you proceed. We look forward to seeing you join us in making more and better followers of Christ.

Sincerely,
The Victory Group Ministry Team

Victory Group Leader Application

Please fill out this form completely and write legibly. **If you are married**, we ask that you and your spouse both fill out separate applications.

Personal Information

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Are you an active member of Victory Biker Church? YES NO

If yes, for how long? _____

Are you currently in a Victory group? YES NO

If yes, who is your leader? _____

Victory Group Information

I would like our group to be (choose one):

Intergenerational Married Couples w/Children Young Marrieds Empty Nesters

Single Men Single Women Other: _____

How would you describe your past experience with Victory groups?

Have you ever led a Victory group before? If yes, what did you learn from that experience?

Why would you like to lead a Victory group now?

What is a strength of yours that would contribute to successful group leadership? _____

What is a weakness of yours that would inhibit your success as a leader? _____

Spiritual Questions

How would you explain salvation? Please use Scripture to support your answer.

Who is Jesus?

What is the Church?

Describe your relationship with God: _____

Do you agree with Victory Biker Church Church's doctrinal statement? YES NO

If no, please explain where you differ. _____

Do you affirm the Mission and Vision of Victory Biker Church? YES NO

Reference Information

What is the last church where you were a member or regular attendee? Why did you leave?

Please provide the names of two members of Victory Biker Church, or your previous church that we may contact as references who are not your relatives.

Name: _____ Name: _____
Phone: _____ Phone: _____
Email: _____ Email: _____
Relationship: _____ Relationship: _____

By signing below, I affirm that the information in this application is correct to the best of my knowledge, and I give permission to Victory Biker Church to verify this information and to contact these references.

SIGNED

DATE