

# REACH CHURCH

## LIFE GROUP LEADER GUIDE



### Advent- Hope

**"Just a little of Christ's light makes darkness flee."**

#### Isaiah 9:2

**"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light... upon them a light has shined."**

### Church Highlights

- Invite someone to the upcoming Christmas Eve Service—a moment of light and hope for the community.

### Prayer Points

**Pray for a fresh desire for the Holy Spirit's leadership in your daily walk.**

### Kingdom Impact

Your faithful giving makes a difference as your tithes and offerings impacts us locally and beyond.

Our giving highlight for the month of October / November is Operation Christmas Child

# Discussion Questions For Groups

## **THRIVE Spiritually**

- Which form of darkness mentioned in the sermon (fear, sin, grief, uncertainty, anxiety) feels most present in your life right now?
- Jesus said, "I am the light of the world." Where do you sense Him inviting you out of darkness and into deeper intimacy with Him?

## **THRIVE Relationally**

- Is there a broken relationship where Christ might be inviting you to bring light, forgiveness, or reconciliation?
- What does it look like to be people who carry hope instead of carry fear into our relationships?

## **THRIVE Missionally**

- The pastor prayed that God would "install hope" so we can carry it to a dying world. Who might God be placing on your heart?
- Where do you see darkness in your community, and how can your group shine Christ's light there?

## **Questions for Parents**

- **"Where do you see light at home or school?" (Talk about Jesus being our light.)**
- **"What is something you hope for, and how do you think Jesus helps you hope?"**

## Sermon Summary

### Advent – Hope

Pastor Warren reminded us during this weeks sermon that God speaks light into the deepest darkness. Isaiah prophesied to a nation facing fear, confusion, and impending exile, yet declared, “A light has shined.”

That same hope breaks into our modern fears—grief, failure, anxiety, sin, and uncertainty. Jesus, the Light of the World, doesn’t leave us where we are; He intervenes, rescues, and calls us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Hope isn’t wishful thinking but a sure promise from a faithful God.

Because Christ has come, darkness does not have the final word. His light reveals God’s character, exposes truth, guides our path, and assures us that we win in the end. Hope has been sent—and His name is Jesus.

### Pastoral Care

We have a pastoral care team to walk alongside people through life's challenges, with their permission. Should anyone in your group or serve team experience sickness, death of a loved one, marriage challenges, or surgeries, please contact us at [connect@reachchurchnetwork.org](mailto:connect@reachchurchnetwork.org)!

### The 4 Q's

1. How long have you been dealing with this?
2. Who else knows?
3. Have you received any advice or council on how to deal with this?
4. Do you have any plans for your next steps?