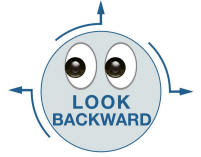




2026 MC WORSHIP FLOW

LOOK BACKWARD (fellowship)



→ FELLOWSHIP/TABLE

- As often as possible, gather around the table for a **meal together** when gathering for worship
 - Encourage open conversations
 - Ensure everyone knows everyone at the table
- **Pray** → When appropriate, center minds/hearts on the awareness of and gratitude for what Jesus did on the cross for us [*Lord's Supper*]

→ INITIAL CHECK IN

- Begin directing toward one communal conversation
- Encourage transparency, & maybe even lead with confession
- Sample **initial check in** questions:
 - **How is everyone 'showing up' today?**
 - **How and/or where have you seen God show up this week?**

→ DIRECT CHECK IN

- Guide conversations toward accountability and regular **One Another** practices
- Sample **direct check in** questions:
 - (follow up from previous week 'look forward'): **Were you able to _____ ?**
 - **What did your time in the Word look like this week?**
 - **How have you experienced 'One Anothering' this week?**

LOOK UPWARD (worship)



→ PRAYER: open your worship time up with focused prayer for the Holy Spirit to move and guide the conversations

- Experiment with your prayer time each week:
 - Encourage different people to pray
 - Take notes, but for certain situations, it may be wise to stop what you are doing and spend time bathing it in prayer

→ BIBLE READING PLAN: this may look differently every week, depending on the amount of reading that was done, and the notes/questions that were journaled

- Reminders:
 - Engage as many people as possible regardless of what they read
 - When possible, encourage kids to read/share/participate
 - Discern how long and deep to linger on one thing
 - Focus on the spiritual transformation of an individual and/or community?
 - If/when needed, bump to a later (maybe more personal) conversation
 - Make sure to leave time to get through all 5 chapters
 - It may be helpful, to know how many questions/thoughts people have, from the beginning to strategize your time and conversations

- Options to consider:
 - → Read a portion (or portions) of the assigned chapters together
 - → Discuss one chapter at a time, asking for notes/thoughts/questions to address along the way

→ **DISCOVERY BIBLE STUDY (DBS): Experiment with how you discuss/process the text using DBS as a template**

- Process:
 - **GOD** → how does the passage(s) reflect God the Father, God the Son, God the Spirit?
 - **MAN** → how can we connect to or relate with the people, struggles, scenarios, etc?
 - **ME** → how are we being led to become more like Jesus from our conversation?
- Sample spiritual formation questions:
 - **What are you learning about who God is as you read?**
 - **How do you see God's story unfolding through what you are reading?**
 - **How can you personally relate to what is happening in what you are reading?**
 - **How is the Holy Spirit leading you to change and/or respond?**

LOOK FORWARD (discipleship)



→ **PRAYER: close your worship time over prayer for humility & boldness & obedience to love and live like Jesus this week**

- Reminders:
 - *Encourage each family to take note of any prayer needs and/or*
- Sample **next step** questions:
 - **What step(s) do you need to take this week?**
 - How can your MC help you?
 - **How can you practice the One Another's this week?**
 - Are there needs within your MC?
 - **Who can you share one of the passages and/or your thoughts with this week?**
 - Who is God putting on your heart to pray for and/or engage this week?
 - What specific needs in the community could be met this week?
- Pray together

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