

# 7 SMALL GROUP BENEFITS

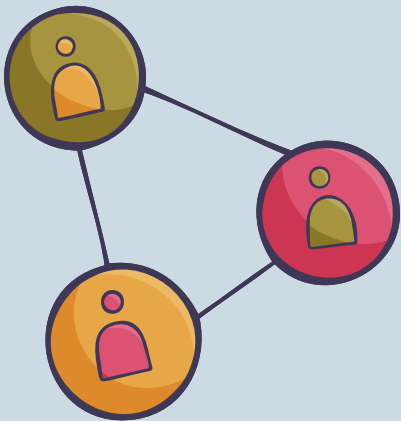
## 1. A Second Family

Groups of people working like a family are a large part of God's process of maturing us.



## 2. Connection

When people feel attached, they become more invested in the process, and their hearts become open to God, growth, & each other.



## 3. Discipline & Structure

Good groups use discipline and structure to protect the time, the process, and the members from disruption.



## 4. Prayer

Corporate prayer brings people together in their faith and love for God and in their dependence on him and each other.



## 5. Forgiveness

Weakness, inability, and failure are the main reasons we need a group, so that we may be strengthened in many areas of life.



## 6. Support & Strengthening

When members become weak or discouraged, groups can help them become stronger and better able to handle life.



## 7. Discipleship

Groups help individuals become learners of God's ways by getting them accustomed, or acclimated, to righteous ways of living and relating.

