

The goal of the Small Group Leader is to create an environment where 12-15 individuals can connect with others and grow in their faith over a 10-12 week season. In other words, build a connected community that is *becoming better disciples together*.

A Small Group Leader is one who:

- Exhibits growth as a disciple of Jesus Christ.
- Embodys and reflects the beliefs, values, and principles of Epikos Church and the Small Group Ministry.
- Follows the leadership and direction of Epikos Staff.
- Possesses the necessary leadership and social skills to lead a small group.

The Small Group Leader will be successful by:

1. PREPARING TO LAUNCH:

- Training: Attend Small Group Leader Training.
- Inviting: Recruit people into your Small Group prior to launch.
- Connecting: Send introductory emails to newly registered Small Group Members.

2. BEING DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING OTHERS:

- Grow: Attend two individual meetings with your assigned Small Group Coach.
- Invest: Identify potential new leaders and help to develop them by creating opportunities for them serve and lead the group.

3. COMMITTING TO:

- Communication: (a) Timely communication with the SG Ministry and your assigned coach, (b) regular communication with group through sent reminder emails and sent prayer requests each week.
- Preparation: Devote an hour each week to studying the passage, answer, and select questions from the study guide prior to weekly meeting.
- Facilitation: Manage the meeting time to build community, discuss the passage, and engage in prayer.

4. FOLLOWING THE SEASON:

- Evaluation: Complete the end of the season evaluation.
- Recommend: People you have identified throughout the season that you think would be ready to lead their own group