

# THIS IS US

2/10/19

Community

Leader Guide

## Leader Tips:

1. *In this discussion there will be the opportunity for your group to watch a video or two from YouTube making the internet and a TV necessary.*
2. *Have 3X5 index cards and pens available for each member.*

## THE WIN

The group member will be challenged to reevaluate their appreciation for their group and establish a new, heightened commitment to their spiritual family by discussing and deciding the possible changes for improved group interaction.

1-2  
minutes

## SERMON RECAP: WHAT DID THE TEXT MEAN? WHAT DOES IT MEAN?

In the message this week we learned that God created us to be in relationships that encourage a closer walk with Christ.

3-5  
minutes

## WARM UP

### Ask This:

- What has been the greatest benefit you have experienced from attending your small group?

30-35  
minutes

## THE TEXT: WHAT DOES IT MEAN FOR ME?

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Have someone read Hebrews 10:24-25 and another read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

### Say This:

These passages reveal our responsibility and accountability to one another.

### Ask This:

- How does being accountable and responsible for one another in your group make you feel? What are your concerns?
- What would your reaction be if someone in your group confronted you and challenged you to love more and do more?

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- What would be a loving way you could encourage someone who is not very consistent in attending your group?

**Do This:**

Play this short video on YouTube. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NMyTMTmJU6E&t=41s>

**Say This:**

Humor has a way of helping us laugh at ourselves and our weaknesses.

**Ask This:**

- In what way did the Shallow Small Group video poke fun at a reality in your group?
- What would you say to someone who was interested but unsure about attending your group?

**Do This:**

Pass out a 3X5 index card to each member and ask them to write the answer to this statement: "Our group has come together so that...."

Once the group is finished writing their answers have them return their cards to the leader and then read the answers aloud to the group.

**Ask This:**

- What would you say are some common themes in our answers?
- How can we use these themes to help steer our group's goals for this new year?
- What are some creative ways we can assist our group leader in achieving our goals?

3-5  
minutes

## DIGGING DEEPER

**Say This:**

In order to build more transparency and accountability within our group we need to continue developing these relationships even outside of the group meeting. In the following 2-minute video, Bill Search offers some tips on what this could look like for our group.

**Watch This:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LwJ2xE2MPOg>

**Ask This:**

- Which one of these ideas excites you the most? Why?
- What are some other ideas for our group to build relationship and Friendship outside of our regular group time?

## CLOSING THOUGHT

- "To grow spiritually you must be connected relationally." Bill Willits