

LEADERSHIP LESSON 3: DO I REALLY WANT MY CLASS TO GROW?

OUTLINE BY RICKEY MICHAEL

John 3:16, Romans 1:16-17, 2 Peter 3:9

Introduction: A growing Sunday School class is made up of people who:

- Have a heart for **reaching, teaching, ministering, and serving.**
- **Understand** “it really is not about them.”
- Take the “Great Commission” **seriously.**
- Have a **plan** for reaching people and they are committed to it.

The following things happen each Sunday in a class that is committed to reaching people:

1. The teacher **arrives** early to make sure the classroom is ready and he/she can welcome and greet guests.
2. The **Fellowship Leader** arrives early to make coffee and help the persons responsible for refreshments on that Sunday.
3. These people are there, **welcoming** and **greeting** people as they arrive.
4. The class **Administrator** begins the class and encourages everyone to leave the seats nearest the door for late arrivals and guests. Those seated nearest the door are encouraged to welcome others who arrive after the class has begun.
5. The **Ministry Leader** is called upon to give reports from Care Groups about those who are sick, out of town, or serving in another area of the church on that day.
6. The **Prayer Leader** will list these and passes around a basket to collect other prayer requests and will lead a prayer time at the end of class for those given. That afternoon a full list of the prayer requests will be emailed to each home.
7. While these things are happening, the class **Secretary** is recording those who are present and giving welcome cards to the guests. On the card there is a place for the guests to mark if they want to enroll in the class or another place to mark if they are just looking around.
8. The **Service Leader** reminds the class of ministry opportunities throughout the church and meets with folks after class to help them get plugged into a service area.
9. The Evangelism **Leader** gives a report from the visits made by class members during the church outreach time this past week.
10. It is now time for **life-changing** Bible study.
11. The prayer Leader ends the class by praying for needs listed on the cards turned in by the class.

The following things happen each week outside the class that is committed to reaching people:

1. **Class members** pray throughout the week for those on the class prayer list.
2. **Care Group Leaders** are making touches with people who are in their care groups...especially to individuals who were absent the prior Sunday.
3. **Teams** from the class are making evangelistic visits to those who visited the class on Sunday or in recent weeks.
4. During the week class members should be **reviewing** the next week’s class lesson.
5. **Fellowships** are happening within the care groups in the class.
6. **Guests** are all assigned to a care group and invited to a fellowship.

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