

LifeGroup Deep Dive | 40 Days of Invitation — Week Four: Invite Simply

Week of March (Week 4)

Main Focus: Extend a clear, relational invitation

Key Line: *Invitation isn't pressure — it's an open door.*

Culture Code Emphasis: Clarity = Kindness

Main Question: Are we willing to clearly and lovingly invite the person God has already placed on our heart?

KEY THEMES THAT CARRY THIS WEEK

Clarity Serves People — Vague intentions rarely lead to meaningful invitations.

Invitation Flows From Relationship — Because we identified, prayed, and connected, this moment is now natural.

Boldness Is Built on Love — We are not selling something; we are welcoming someone.

Faith Steps Create Kingdom Moments — God often moves on the other side of simple obedience.

PORCH TALK

(Intentional, honest, forward-moving)

Leader Setup:

For three weeks we have been preparing the ground — identifying, praying, and connecting. This week we step into clear, simple invitation.

Conversation Starters (choose 3–4):

- What emotions come up when you think about inviting your one?
- Where do you tend to hesitate most — fear of rejection, awkwardness, or timing?
- When has someone invited you to something meaningful that impacted you?
- What has God been doing in your heart over the last three weeks?

WEEK FOUR ACCOUNTABILITY CHALLENGE

Before leaving tonight, every person should identify: **Who they will invite/ When they will invite/ How they will invite** **Anchor Verse:** “Go out quickly to the streets... and bring in the poor and crippled and blind and lame.” — Luke 14:21

Scripture References: *Matthew 28:19–20, Acts 8:26–40, Proverbs 11:25, Hebrews 13:2, John 1:40–42, Luke 5:27–32, Isaiah 6:8, Psalm 96:3*

LIVING ROOM

1) Invitation Requires Loving Clarity

Read: Colossians 4:5–6; Luke 14:16–23

Context: In the parable of the banquet, the invitation was clear, personal, and direct. The servant didn't hint — he invited.

Say: Clarity is kindness because it removes confusion and gives people a real opportunity to respond.

Ask (go slow): Where are you tempted to stay vague instead of clear? How does loving clarity actually serve the person you're inviting? What fears tend to surface right before you extend an invitation? How might obedience matter more than their response?

Support Scriptures: Matthew 5:16; 1 Peter 3:15

ACCOUNTABILITY MOMENT

Have each person practice saying their invitation out loud:

Example: "Hey — Easter's coming. If you don't have plans, I'd love for you to sit with me."

Normalize the language. Reduce the fear.

2) Invitation Trusts God With the Outcome

Read: 1 Corinthians 3:6–7; Ecclesiastes 11:6

Context: We plant and water. God brings the growth.

Say: Our responsibility is obedience, not results. Rejection is not failure — silence is.

Ask: How would your courage change if success wasn't measured by their answer? Where do you feel pressure to control the outcome? What would it look like to fully release the response to God? How does remembering God is already at work change your posture?

HEART CHECK PRAYER

Pause and pray silently: "Lord, help me care more about faithfulness than comfort."

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3) Invitation Is an Act of Love

Read: Romans 10:14–15; Luke 15:4–7

Context: The gospel moves through people who are willing to go toward others.

Say: We don't invite because people are projects — we invite because people matter to God.

Ask: How does love reshape the way we think about invitation? Who first helped you take steps toward Jesus? What would it look like to invite from compassion instead of obligation? How might God use one simple invitation beyond what you can see?

PRACTICAL INVITE PLAN

Have each person choose:

- Text invitation
- Face-to-face conversation
- Coffee invite + church mention
- Family invitation

And set a **specific day this week**.

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AFTER GLOW

(Reflective, prayerful, faith-building)

Read: Matthew 9:37–38; 2 Corinthians 5:20

Say: Every invitation is a step of trust. God is already moving in people's hearts — we are simply joining what He is doing.

Ask (slow and personal): What step of courage is God asking from you this week? What resistance do you still feel? How can this group pray for boldness over you? What would faithfulness look like before next Sunday?

GROUP PRAYER MOMENT

Pray in small groups for: **Boldness, Clarity, Open doors, Receptive hearts**

FOLLOW-UP & WEEKLY CHALLENGE

Invite: Extend your clear invitation this week.

Prepare: Be ready to answer simple questions.

Release: Trust God fully with their response.

Encourage: Continue praying for your one daily.

Report Back: Come next week ready to share what happened.

LEGACY CHALLENGE — WEEK FOUR

Open the door — don't force the decision.

This week we step forward in courage, trusting that the God who moves toward us is already moving toward our one.