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Part V

Conducting Meetings

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Preparation

Why Prepare?

- Communicates to members that you have a sense of direction and leadership
- Gives the group confidence in your overall leadership
- Allows you to alter the course of a meeting (if necessary) because you are able to make choices regarding what you will cover in your curriculum.

Meeting Planner

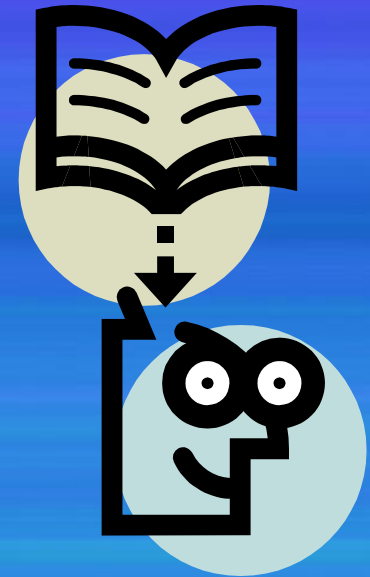
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Choosing and Using the Right Curriculum

Key Questions:

- What is our purpose?
- Where is the group spiritually?
- What are our key needs?
- What is our current focus?
- What are our limitations?
- What approach/How long?
- What is the best curriculum?



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Group Dynamics

Supportive Group Roles

- Information seeker
- Opinion seeker
- Initiator
- Elaborator
- Tension-reliever
- Reviewer
- Consensus seeker
- Encourager
- Standard-bearer



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Destructive Group Roles

- Aggressor
- Rabbit chaser
- Recognition seeker
- Dominator
- Special-interest pleader
- Negativist
- Quibbler
- Practical joker



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Learning Styles

- **Visual Learners** – *Use handouts, newspaper articles, paper and crayons, objects. Give demonstrations.*
- **Auditory Learners** – *Use subgroups. Allow members to respond verbally to questions and decisions.*
- **Kinesthetic Learner** – *Utilize objects and experiences for your group. Plan events for members to experience the truth in action. Allow them to learn by trial and error. Give them something to do that illustrates your point.*

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Personalities – God made us all different!

- Do they tend to be more introverted or extroverted?
- Do they experience life with their senses or more intuitively?
- Do they initially process information and decisions with their head or with their heart?
- Do they approach life in a structured or unstructured fashion?

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Helping Members Use Their Spiritual Gifts

- Cast a vision for mutual ministry
- Help members identify their gifts
- Discuss giftedness with each other
- Serve in areas of giftedness
- Consider ministry opportunities

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Meeting Follow-Up

Three Tools

- Touching Base
- Leader Feedback and Development
- Planning for Life Change



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