



# FOUNDRY GROUP GUIDE

Week of November 14, 2021

## **Identity:** Session 5

“What does it mean to be a member of this community  
(of San Antonio)?”

[Missed Community Night? Click here to watch last week's Message.](#)

### OPEN WITH PRAYER

God, Thank you for creating us to do life together and for giving us a community to do that with, both in and out of this space. Make us aware of the ways you are at work in this place that we live and show us how you are calling us to be at work with you. Help us say yes to you in all our comings and goings, so that our presence, interactions, and responses will bring glory to you. We pray all this in the name of Jesus, the one true model of living for your Kingdom here on Earth. Amen.

### INTRODUCE YOURSELVES & CATCH UP

Anybody here for the first time? Do introductions so everybody is familiar.

Catch up on prayer requests from your last gathering or quickly check in with everyone to see what has happened since you last met.

### SCRIPTURE

Philippians 2:5-11  
Matthew 28:16-20

### DISCUSSION

Check in on the commission from your last gathering, which was to find a way to be courageous before today's gathering. Share a little about that experience with everybody.

Share about a time that you have felt most a part of your local community.

## DISCUSSION CONTINUED

The scripture in Philippians points out that Jesus took on the full experience of being human. Imagine Jesus living in San Antonio. What kind of neighbor, co-worker, acquaintance would Jesus be? How could your life reflect what that would be like?

Consider the 5 things about being part of a local community that Lupina shared (listed below). Discuss what stood out to you and how it has - or could - make a difference in your life and how you are part of our local community.

- *Presence - always assuming that God's presence is already there*
- *Knowing that understanding (Empathy) always comes from Jesus*
- *Living out of "Makarios" (being blessed) changes the way we show up*
- *Social Holiness (our faith changes our reaction to brokenness and pain)*
- *understanding that all of our "Go's" can be sacred, holy, and used by God*

Commission Question: Consider all of your "go's" (work, family, friends, etc.) and find ways to be more intentional about them. If you were to consecrate your "go's" (declare them as sacred), how might your go's - even the normal, mundane ones - be transformed?

## CHECK IN

Take some time to let people share what's going on in their lives (talk about the good/bad, celebrations/concerns, God sightings & prayer concerns).

The group facilitator should make note of any prayer concerns that are shared and send them out to the group after the meeting for group members to pray over throughout the week.

## WRAP UP

Mark Your Calendars

- Next Foundry gatherings:
  - **Gastrochurch** - Tuesday, November 16, at Alamo Heights UMC  
Registration Required - Seats are Limited
  - **Friendsgiving Service Event** - Saturday, November 20, at Northern Hills UMC Ministry Center & L.C. Rutledge Apartments

Close with prayer!