The Purpose of Grace Growth Groups:

Growth Groups help you take your next step with God by developing meaningful friendships built around God's Word. As we connect with one another and with God's Word, incredible things take place and we naturally grow. In community, this growth occurs through 4 primary activities:

We SHARE Life

Each week we'll take time to connect and share what is happening in our lives. This will become more natural as we begin to feel more comfortable with one another. Sharing life and accepting each other is essential to the healthy relationships needed for growth groups.

We STUDY God's Word

Each week we'll study the previous week's sermon text, though we will not rehash the sermon. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life. Accountability to God's Word is transformational and brings spiritual growth in our lives. We also take time to seek God in prayer for relevant needs and issues present in our group.

We SUPPORT Each Other

Each week we'll learn how to care for one another as Christ instructed us. People who know each other well, care for each other well. This care will take many forms, such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging, accountability, advice, and meeting real needs.

We SERVE Together

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. Jesus reminds us that the world will know we're his disciples by our love. The role each member fills in serving one another and the local community is essential; for we were created to serve others, not ourselves. Throughout the semester, we will serve the other members of our group and together the group will serve the local community through one service project.

GROWTH groups

- change happens in circles, not rows -

Pastor Darrell Jones
Grace Evangelical Church

Call to Me

Notes:

I. Call to Me.

II. And I will show you great and mighty things, which you do not know.

III. Let's make calling on God our focus, and let's see great and mighty things!

Growth Group Guide

For the week of December 3rd, 2017

Fall Growth Group Information:

- ***Today begins Week 14 of our Fall Semester of Growth Groups.*** Each semester lasts for 15 weeks. Sunday's mark the beginning of each new week.

My Story:

1. As you look forward to 2018; personally, relationally and even spiritually, what are some of your goals?

Digging Deeper:

1. Our text indicates that God wants us to pursue Him and call on His name; what are some things that keep you from doing that?

2. According to verse 3, when we call out to God, He promises to answer us; what are some of the ways that has God answered prayers in your life?

3. God not only promises to answer us, but also to give us insight into the things that we *"do not know."* What do you think is meant by this from verse 3?

Taking it Home:

One thing we can be certain of is this, that God has a plan for our lives and we don't want to miss it. So, what are some ways that God is asking you to prioritize more time with Him in 2018?