GROUPS

"Group Launch" Checklist

All Whitestone Resources are **designed to equip individuals and groups alike**. Of course, there is unique iron-sharpening that can come from group contexts!

The Whitestone Forum™ **does not have officially-endorsed groups**. **We encourage you to "own your equipping" — convene your own group** at work, at home, or at church!

This checklist can help you kick-start your own group use of Whitestone resources as easily as possible!

1. *Understand resources available for groups. The following documents are available for free at* **www.whitestone.org/groups**:
   - ☐ **"Group Guide: Seminars"** – guide for viewing seminars as a group
   - ☐ **"Group Guide: Podcast"** – guide for listening to weekly podcast episodes as a group
   - ☐ **"Timeline-Content Options"** – guide for matching content with desired timeline
   - ☐ **"Seminar Notepad" printouts** – for easy notetaking during seminars!
   - ☐ **"Application & Action" printouts** – questions designed for individual reflection and group discussion, to dig deeper into Whitestone Seminars™ and Podcast™ episodes!

2. *To start a group, define:*
   - ☐ **Group members** – e.g. co-workers, university students, church members, friends
   - ☐ **Cadence** – e.g. once weekly, twice monthly, once monthly
   - ☐ **Time** – e.g. Wednesday evening, Thursday morning, Sunday afternoon
   - ☐ **Material** – e.g. weekly podcast episodes, seminar video series
   - ☐ **Location** – e.g. conference room, church breakout room, coffee shop

3. *Before each meeting:*
   - ☐ **Email / text reminder** with pertinent details each week before the meeting
   - ☐ **Print out materials** for each individual
   - ☐ Ensure that device is **ready to play content** / test beforehand
     - ▪ Whitestone Podcast can be played via mobile or laptop
     - ▪ Although Whitestone Seminars are accessible via mobile, a group can more easily view material via laptop or television

4. *During each meeting:*
   - ☐ **Play Whitestone content** – e.g. podcast episode audio, seminar video of choice
   - ☐ **Go through Application & Action questions**
   - ☐ **As appropriate, pray through calls to action**