

Things Holy Spirit has taught me about doing group ministry:

Start by explaining to them, and reassuring them that their ministry in a group can be just as real and freeing as it would be with an individual minister. BUT for that to happen, they need to release any offense they may have that they ended up in a group. If they will do that and focus on Jesus, it will actually be EASIER for them to learn how to command demons to go and receive freedom than it is in an individual ministry. This is because they won't be depending on the minister to do the "heavy lifting" for them as they might in individual ministry. But here in group ministry, they must be proactive, and determined to get free. And they CAN get free!

Although you can't do an interview when you're doing ministry to more than one person, it is important that you get answers to these questions.

- Have you asked Jesus to be your king and your Savior? I have them raise their hands if they have excepted Jesus. If anyone has not, I explain that is the most important first step to getting free. And I would lead them in a short salvation prayer.

- Ask them to raise their hand if they arrived in time and went through the door, closing prayer, repeating it, phrase by phrase. If anyone did not, I lovingly tell them they cannot receive ministry until that happens and ask them to come back the following week.

- Ask them to raise their hand if there was anyone they could not forgive. If anyone raises their hand, tell them we are here to all get free together, and there should be no embarrassment. I ask them who is the person is, explain it's not by feeling, but it's a choice, and lead them in a prayer to forgive that person(s).

- Ask them to raise their hand if they could not forgive themselves. If anyone raises their hand, emphasize it is a choice. Jesus commands us to forgive and if we won't make that choice we will be turned over to the tormentors. Have them speak out to Jesus their forgiveness of themselves.

- Have them raise their hand if they have not forgiven God for any traumas they've experienced. If any hands are raised, lead them through forgiving God.

- Then have them look at the problem list and circle the most tormenting group and put a 1 beside it. Repeat with group 2 and 3. Tell them to set the paper aside until later.

- Break ungodly soul ties 3 times. Each time before starting, have them clarify to themselves who will be in this group. Do 3 groups:

- * Dad, Mom, and family

- * Sexual group

- * Others

- Have them look at their problem list at group 1. Then put list aside, close eyes. Ask Jesus to show them the earliest memory. Tell them when they are in the memory, to raise their hand and put it down again. I will be watching for their hands to go up and then down. Sometimes I have to wait a bit on the last person, but almost always everyone will raise their hand.

* I tell them to look around in the memory, see who they need to forgive, and forgive that person(s).

* Then have them look around in the memory to see where Jesus is and what he is doing.

* Explain about how to use their hand like spiritual fingers and go in and pull out all those bad feelings, lifting them to Jesus.

* then ask them to look at their list again to determine what is group number 2. (go through the same steps again with group 2 and group 3.)

- work your way through the problem list column by column until you finish them all. I usually do general commands against the group itself, and tell them to be very specific and determined at commanding the ones that they marked in their group to go. At the end I command all infirmities to go and have them be aggressive in commanding specifically all their own sicknesses to go. I wrap up by commanding the head demon to gather all remaining demons to himself. I command all of them, including the doorkeeper to leave.

- Lead them phrase by phrase to repeat the prayer at the bottom of the second page of the ministry report "I take my mind in my head, my mind in my heart..."

- Lead them as a group through receiving the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

- Do the limb check with each one, encouraging the others to feel free to gather around and watch what Holy Spirit is doing for each person. As I am finishing the limb check is when I declare an blessing over each one.

- Hand out the yellow brochures and explain how to use them.

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