

Group Covenant and Confidentiality Statement

UNCONDITIONAL LOVE — I covenant that there is nothing that anyone in the group has done or will do that will make me stop loving them. I may not agree with their actions, but I will love them as a person and do all I can to hold them up to God’s affirming love.

CONFIDENTIALITY — I will promise to keep whatever anyone shares within the confines of the group, in order to provide the atmosphere of openness and respect for the other person’s privacy. I will not discuss another Prodigal member’s name, words, attitudes, or life conditions with anyone outside the group. I understand that without this important element the group will not be able to survive.

PRAYER — I covenant to pray for those in the group regularly, believing that our Father desires us to pray for one another and for ourselves.

COMMITMENT – I commit to faithfully attend all Prodigal meetings and if I cannot attend to let my group leader know ahead of time. I commit to this for the entire year of Prodigal.

ACCOUNTABILITY — I will covenant to come each week on time and as prepared as possible. I will make a serious attempt to have the lesson completed, and to work on a daily habit of prayer and meditation on God’s Word. I will pray regularly for the others in my group.

OPENNESS — I covenant to strive to become a more open person, disclosing my feelings, my struggles, my joys, and my hurts to those in my group as much as I am able. The degree to which I do so implies that I cannot make it without them, that I trust them with my problems and my dreams, and that I need them.

SENSITIVITY — Even as I want other group members to know and understand me, I covenant to be sensitive to each person. I will be attentive when they are speaking and protect their feelings even though they react differently than I might. I will not be shocked, condemning, or condescending. I will not resort to labels such as “emotional,” “not very bright,” “too intellectual,” “liberal,” or “conservative.”

AVAILABILITY — Anything I have—time, energy, insight, possessions—is at the disposal of those who need it, to the limit of my resources. I give these freely as I give myself as long as they do not interfere with the prior covenants with God or my family which take precedence.

DOING THE WORK – I agree to complete the weekly assignments and to come to group prepared to share those answers and complete the objectives asked of me this year.

In the power of the Holy Spirit, I enter into this covenant/confidentiality statement:

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