

SESSION ONE: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE

	GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER; YOU SET TONE OF VULNERABILITY	CTO DISCIPLING TOOLS
INTRODUCTIONS	 Share a brief testimony on how God's Spirit used His Word in the context of CTO to bring change in your life. Be open and honest. Encourage disciple to share their life story. 	
GATHER DATA	 GATHER IMPORTANT DETAILS FROM THEIR LIFE STORY Ask questions (Use <i>Initial Questions</i> from <i>Gathering Data</i>) Evaluate their relationship with God. Identify and write down key people, events and issues that have influenced their present thinking/behavior that will be addressed in future discussions and lists. 	Gathering Data
GIVE HOPE	 GIVE HOPE IN GOD'S POWER TO BRING CHANGE Affirm your confidence in God, His Word and power to change disciple. Affirm that God has provided solutions for sin. Affirm that God is sovereign. Remember to model the hope that you have in Christ. Explain/watch video of <i>4 Approaches to a Problem/Facing Emotional Pain</i> diagrams. (<i>Foreword I-IV</i>) Ask which approach most characterizes them? 	Giving Hope
SET DIRECTION	 DISCUSS FOCUS AND APPROACH TO ASSIGNMENTS Watch the "Welcome Video" (Foreword I) or Explain the CTO Strategy For Changed Lives (Foreword V) Discuss the priority of homework, accountability and having consistent devotional time. May recommend using CTO studies for devotions. Direct disciple to read all Scripture verses that are in parentheses in the studies; discuss that the Scripture is a primary source for change (Heb. 4:12). Direct disciple to highlight impactful statements; mark areas of question or disagreement with a "?" Instruct that priority should be given to the practical assignments and "lists" since they will be the focus in the session times. REVIEW/WATCH BUILDING THE RELATIONSHIP WALL (B-12) IN PREPARATION FOR ASSIGNING THE FIRST LIST 	Assigning Homework
HOMEWORK for next session	 PREPARE LIST: RECONCILIATION LIST ON PERSON #1 (SPOUSE) List the ways YOU have sinned against and/or hurt Person #1 (Spouse) These are the "bricks" you have put on your side of the wall. First, prepare a written list from memory of any personal experiences, memories, specific character qualities and events that were hurtful or had a negative impact on the relationship. Second, use Confession Checklist as a memory jogger to add to the list. 	Confession Checklist
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book) Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Memorize: (optional)	DS3 - Part 1: Introduction: The Story of the Gospel Who's In Charge: Introduction and #1: Attributes of God Rom. 15:13 or other verse related to Hope (See Giving Hope in "Helping A Disciple" under Tools for Discipler)	Key Verses on Hope

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Review Homework	 SPEND ONLY 15 TO 20 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. What did God teach you this week? What impacted you from <i>Who's in Charge</i>? (If the Sovereignty of God is a new concept to your disciple, you may need more discussion time here) What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? Recite memory verse on hope. 	Helping a Disciple Forgive
EXPAND RECONCILIATION LIST #1	 GO THROUGH RECONCILIATION LIST TOGETHER* Have Husband read his Reconciliation List. (bricks he put on the wall) Expand list by asking questions and writing down additions for their list. Utilize questions from Expanding a Confession List and items on the outer circle on the Root Cause of Sin diagram (A-6). Reminder: Be thorough and specific using biblical terminology rather than euphemisms. Have Wife read her Reconciliation List. (bricks she put on the wall) Expand list by asking questions and writing down additions for their list. NOTE: This will most likely take the entire session. If so, stop here. Only assign A: Understanding the Call to Obedience and Who's in Charge, Study #2 and pick up here next time. The speed at which you progress may fluctuate with each situation; follow the pace of the Holy Spirit. 	Expanding a Confession List
	*An option is to split into men/women and use the 3 Step Process For An Individual, then join as couples to have couple seek each other's forgiveness to reconcile. If doing this follow <i>Initial Sessions for an Individual</i> .	
TEACH KEY Principles on Forgiveness	 READ TOGETHER SECTIONS I-IV OF FORGIVING OTHERS, CTO. (B 3-4) Have disciple participate by reading out loud key biblical references. Discuss application by asking key questions. Explain the importance of forgiveness in God's plan for reconciliation. Discuss impact of not forgiving from <i>Positional and Fellowship Relationship</i> diagram. (B-6) 	Key Questions: Why do you forgive? When do you forgive? Whom do you forgive? How do you forgive? What is God's response to your choice?
HAVE COUPLE RECONCILE	 HAVE COUPLE FACE EACH OTHER AND SEEK FORGIVENESS Have Husband seek forgiveness from Wife for each item on his list. Have Wife seek forgiveness from Husband for each item on her list. 	"Will you forgive me for" Wait for response from the other person
Explain <i>Renewing</i> Your Mind	 DISCUSS THE IMPORTANCE OF ACTING ON THEIR FORGIVENESS Review the 3-Fold Commitment they have made and the importance of acting on their commitment to forgive. (B-3) Explain the Renewing Your Mind Outline. (C-4). Use Renewing Your Mind Outline when: tempted to dwell on sins after forgiving, worrying, having impure thoughts, etc. 	Renewing Your Mind
HOMEWORK for next session	PREPARE LIST: BRING BACK RECONCILATION LIST TO USE AS CONFESSION LIST	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book) Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Memorize:	Part 1: A: Understanding the Call to Obedience B: Forgiving Others (finish) <u>Who's In Charge</u> : #2: God's Sovereignty in Salvation 3-Fold Commitment and Renewing Your Mind Outline	A: Understanding the Call B: Forgiving Others
Practice:	Renewing your mind, and forgiving others. Be prepared to share examples of each.	

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SESSION THREE: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE



Review Homework	 SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. What did God teach you this week? Recite 3-Fold Commitment or Renewing Your Mind Outline. Share an example of when they practiced "renewing their mind." What impacted you from Who's in Charge? What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? 	Helping a Disciple Confess Sin
ENSURE THAT RECONCILIATION LISTS ARE ACCESSIBLE	UTILIZE RECONCILIATION LISTS AS THEIR CONFESSION LIST TO GOD. •The <i>Reconciliation List</i> and the <i>Confession List</i> is the same list	
TEACH KEY PRINCIPLES ON CONFESSING SIN	 READ TOGETHER KEY SECTIONS OF CONFESSING SIN (C 3-4) Read together and explain Section I-IV: Confessing Sin. Read and discuss verses: "Before confessing your sins." (D 10-11) 	Key Verses on Confession
PRAY TO CONFESS	•Have disciple pray through their list out loud in front of you.	
TEACH KEY PRINCIPLES ON GOD'S FORGIVENESS	 Read and discuss verses "After confessing your sins." (D 11-12). Discuss <i>The Focus Factor Diagram</i> included in this study. (D 12-13) If time does not allow, assign <i>the above</i> as homework. Revisit these sections and diagram in the future if your disciple struggles with guilt 	
HOMEWORK for next session	PREPARE LIST: NO LIST OR USE AS "CATCH UP WEEK" IN THE RECONCILING PROCESS WITH THE COUPLE	
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book)	Part 1: C: Renewing Your Mind D: Confessing Sin (finish)	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES: C: Renewing Your Mind
Additional Study: (in back half of the book)	<u>Who's In Charge</u> : #3: God's Purpose for Suffering	
Memorize:	Get a Grip 1-2-3-4-5 Outline – Review previous memory work.	D: Confessing Sin
Practice:	Renewing your mind, forgiving others, and the <i>Get a Grip 1-2-3-4-5 Outline</i> . Be prepared to share examples of each.	
Reminder:	Bring completed <i>Reconciliation List</i> to next session.	1217-129694637

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	SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES.	Helping A Disciple Reconcile
Review Homework	 What did God teach you this week? What impacted you in <i>Who's in Charge?</i> What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? 	
REVIEW THE	HAVE DISCIPLES SEEK EACH OTHER'S FORGIVENESS FOR ANY NEW OFFENSES THAT WEEK.	If fearful, assign a memory verse to address their fear,
Forgiveness Process	 Recite any memory verses (if assigned), the 1-2-3-4-5 Memory Outline and the Renewing Your Mind Outline. Give examples of opportunities you had to renew your mind or practice the Get a Grip 1-2-3-4-5 Outline 	Key Verses on Fear
HOMEWORK for next session	 PREPARE LIST: FORGIVENESS LIST ON PERSON #2 List ways Person #2 [usually parent or child] has sinned against and/or hurt you – these are the "bricks" the other person has put on their side of the wall) Prepare a written list specific character qualities and events from personal experiences/ memories first. Then use Forgiveness Checklist as a memory jogger to add to the list 	Forgiveness Checklist
Main CTO Study:	Part 1:	
(in front half of the book)	E: Reconciling Relationships	
(in front half of the book) Additional Study: (in back half of the book)		DISCIPLER'S GUIDES
Additional Study:	E: Reconciling Relationships Who's In Charge:	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES E: Reconciling Relationships
Additional Study: (in back half of the book)	<i>E: Reconciling Relationships</i> <u>Who's In Charge</u> : #4: God's Sovereignty in Adversity Continue to practice forgiving, confessing sin, renewing your mind and the	E: Reconciling
Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Application:	<i>E: Reconciling Relationships</i> <u>Who's In Charge</u> : #4: God's Sovereignty in Adversity Continue to practice forgiving, confessing sin, renewing your mind and the 1-2-3-4-5 (Get a Grip) Outline	E: Reconciling

SUGGESTED MEMORY VERSES

Reaffirm the importance of memorizing these important scriptures. These verses are key to a transformed life and are the heart of the CTO discipleship tools as they are understood and applied to the practice of biblical forgiveness, confession and reconciliation. It is suggested to have these memorized by the end of the formal meeting times.

<u>1-2-3-4-5 (Get a Grip) Outline</u> Grab Hold – Eph. 1:11 Thank – 1 Thess. 5:18; Eph. 5:20 Forgive – Mark 11:25 Ask – John 14:15 Renewing Your Mind Catch - 2 Cor. 10:5 Confess - 1 John 1:9 Claim – Phil. 4:13 Force – Phil. 4:8-9 Repeat – Gal. 6:9 <u>Key Verses</u> Rom. 12:2 1 Cor 10:13

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SESSION FIVE: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE



Review Homework	 SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. "What did God teach you this week?" Have disciple recite memory verses, if assigned. Have disciple share any opportunities to renew their mind, practice the Get a Grip (1-2-3-4-5) Outline and other opportunities to forgive. How are you applying the truths taught in <i>Who's in Charge</i>? What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? 	Helping A Disciple Forgive
EXPAND FORGIVENESS LIST #2	 GO THROUGH HUSBAND'S FORGIVENESS LIST TOGETHER Have disciple read their Forgiveness List for Person #2. Expand list: Ask questions and write down additions for their list. Utilize questions from Expanding a Forgiveness and items on the outer circle on the Root Cause of Sin diagram (A-6). Reminder: Be thorough and specific, using biblical terminology rather than euphemisms. REPEAT PROCESS WITH WIFE'S FORGIVENESS LIST 	Expanding a Forgiveness List
REVIEW PRINCIPLES ON FORGIVENESS	 REVIEW KEY VERSES ON FORGIVENESS: Review key principles and read one of the verses on forgiveness: Mark 11:25; Eph. 4:30-32; Col. 3:12-14 (B:3-4). Review <i>3-Fold Commitment</i> 	Key Questions: Why do you forgive? When do you forgive? Whom do you forgive? How do you forgive? What is God's response to your choice?
Pray to Forgive	 HAVE DISCIPLES PRAY OUT LOUD THROUGH FORGIVENESS LIST Remind disciple how God has honored their obedience so far. Have disciple pray out loud through their forgiveness list. Have disciple tear up list when finished. 	
HOMEWORK for next session	 PREPARE LIST: CONFESSION LIST ON PERSON #2 List the ways YOU have sinned against and/or hurt Person #2. These are the "bricks" you have put on your side of the wall. First, prepare a written list from memory of any personal experiences, memories, specific character qualities and events that were hurtful or had a negative impact on the relationship. Second, use Confession Checklist as a memory jogger to add to the list. 	Confession Checklist
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book) Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Memorize: Practice:	DS3 - Part 1: F: Admonishing Others Who's In Charge: #5: God's Ultimate Control Thank: Eph. 5:20 Renewing your mind, and forgiving others. Be prepared to share examples of each.	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES F: Admonishing Others

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SESSION SIX: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE



Review Homework	 SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. What did God teach you this week?" Have disciple share any opportunities to renew their mind, practice the <i>"Get a Grip 1-2-3-4-5 Outline</i> and other opportunities to forgive. How are you applying the truths taught in <i>Who's in Charge</i>? What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? 	Helping a Disciple Confess
EXPAND CONFESSION LIST #2	 GO THROUGH CONFESSION LIST TOGETHER ON PERSON #2 Have Husband read his Confession List. Expand list: Ask questions and write down additions for their list. Utilize questions from Expanding a Confession List and items on the outer circle on the Root Cause of Sin diagram (A-6). Reminder: Be thorough and specific using biblical terminology rather than euphemisms. REPEAT PROCESS WITH WIFE'S CONFESSION LIST ON PERSON #2 	Expanding a Confession List
PRAY TO CONFESS	 HAVE DISCIPLE PRAY THROUGH THEIR CONFESSION LIST Have disciple select a few key verses on confession to read out loud from "Before confessing your sins". (D 10-11) Have disciple pray through their list out loud in front of you. Read verses from "confessing your sins." (D 12-13) Review <i>The Focus Factor</i> diagram. 	Key Verses on Confession
PREPARE TO RECONCILE	 PREPARE LIST: RECONCILIATION LIST ON PERSON #2 Condense key items from their <i>Confession List</i> to create their <i>Reconciliation List</i>. If spouse, most items will carry over to <i>Reconciliation List</i>. For the rest, combine, categorize and synthesize items to shorten list 	Helping a Disciple Reconcile
HOMEWORK for next session	 PREPARE LIST: FORGIVENESS LIST ON PERSON #3 (List the ways Person #3 has sinned against and/or hurt you These are the "bricks" the other person has put on their side of the wall. First, prepare a written list from memory of any personal experiences, memories, specific character qualities and events that the other person did that were hurtful or had a negative impact on the relationship. Second, use Forgiveness Checklist as a memory jogger to add to the list 	Forgiveness Checklist
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book)	<u>DS3 - Part 1:</u> G: Communicating Biblically (Highlight personal characteristics of Poor Listener/Good Listener G-13)	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES G: Communicating Biblically
Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Memorize: Practice:	<u>Who's In Charge</u> : #6: God's Sovereignty and Man's Responsibility Forgive: Mark 11:25 Renewing your mind, forgiving others, and the <i>1-2-3-4-5 (Get a Grip) Outline</i> . Be prepared to share examples of each.	
Application:	Meet with Person #2 to seek forgiveness and reconc ile. Use reconciliation list as a guide for asking forgiveness for ways you have sinned against Person #2 .	

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SESSION SEVEN: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE



REVIEW HOMEWORK EXPAND FORGIVENESS LIST #3	 SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. What did God teach you this week? Have disciple share any opportunities to renew their mind, practice the "Get a Grip Outline (1-2-3-4-5) and other opportunities to forgive. How are you applying the truths taught in <i>Who's in Charge</i>? What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study? Discuss items highlighted in <i>Poor Listener/Good Listener Chart (G-13)</i> GO THROUGH HUSBAND'S FORGIVENESS LIST TOGETHER Have disciple read their <i>Forgiveness List</i> for Person #3. Expand list: Ask questions and write down additions for their list. Utilize questions from <i>Expanding a Forgiveness</i> and items on the outer circle on the <i>Root Cause of Sin</i> diagram (A-6). Reminder: Be thorough and specific, using biblical terminology rather 	Helping A Disciple Forgive
	than euphemisms. REPEAT PROCESS WITH WIFE'S FORGIVENESS LIST	
Review Principles on Forgiveness	 REVIEW KEY VERSES ON FORGIVENESS: Review key principles and read one of the verses on forgiveness: Mark 11:25; Eph. 4:30-32; Col. 3:12-14 (B:3-4). Review <i>3-Fold Commitment</i> 	Key Questions: Why do you forgive? When do you forgive? Whom do you forgive? How do you forgive? What is God's response to your choice?
Pray to Forgive	 HAVE DISCIPLE PRAY OUT LOUD THROUGH FORGIVENESS LIST Remind disciple how God has honored their obedience so far. Have disciple pray out loud through their forgiveness list. Have disciple tear up list when finished. 	
HOMEWORK for next session	 PREPARE LIST: CONFESSION LIST #3 List the ways YOU have sinned against and/or hurt Person #3. These are the "bricks" you have put on your side of the wall. First, prepare a written list from memory of any personal experiences, memories, specific character qualities and events that were hurtful or had a negative impact on the relationship. Second, use Confession Checklist as a memory jogger to add to the list. 	Confession Checklist
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book) Additional Study: (in back half of the book) Memorize: Practice: Application:	DS3 - Part 1: H: Expressing Biblical Love (Complete checklist H:10-12) Who's In Charge: #7: Man's Mind vs. God's Mind Ask: John 14:15 Renewing your mind, forgiving others, and the Get a Grip 1-2-3-4-5 Outline. Be prepared to share examples of each. Practice being a "Good Listener" Seek forgiveness when you are a "Poor Listener"	DISCIPLER'S GUIDES H: Expressing Biblical Love

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SESSION EIGHT: WHEN MEETING WITH AN COUPLE



Review Homework	 SPEND ONLY 10 TO 15 MINUTES IN REVIEW OF STUDIES. What did God teach you this week? Share any opportunities you had this week to be a "good listener." Did you seek forgiveness when you were a "poor listener? How did that go? How are you applying the truths taught in <i>Who's in Charge?</i>" What principle/Scripture impressed you from the CTO study?" 	Helping a Disciple Confess
EXPAND CONFESSION LIST #3	 GO THROUGH CONFESSION LIST TOGETHER ON PERSON #3 Have disciple read their Confession List. Expand list: Ask questions and write down additions for their list. Utilize questions from Expanding a Confession List and items on the outer circle on the Root Cause of Sin Diagram (A-6). Reminder: Be thorough and specific using biblical terminology rather than euphemisms. 	Expanding a Confession List
PRAY TO CONFESS	 HAVE DISCIPLE PRAY THROUGH THEIR CONFESSION LIST Have disciple select a few key verses on confession to read out loud from "Before confessing your sins". (D 10-11) Have disciple pray through their list out loud in front of you. Read verses from "After confessing your sins." Review The Focus Factor diagram. 	Key Verses on Confession
PREPARE TO RECONCILE	 PREPARE LIST: RECONCILIATION LIST ON PERSON #3 Condense key items from their <i>Confession List</i> to create their <i>Reconciliation List</i>. Combine, categorize and synthesize items to shorten list 	Helping A Disciple Reconcile
DISCUSS EXPRESSING BIBLICAL LOVE CHECKLIST	 HAVE DISCIPLE PRAY TO CONFESS WAYS THEY HAVE FAILED TO LOVE THEIR SPOUSE (AND OTHERS) BIBLICALLY. Use items from "Poor Listener" side of chart from <i>Communicating Biblically</i> as part of the <i>Confession List</i>. Use items checked in <i>Expressing Biblical Love Checklist</i> as part of the Confession List. Have disciple confess these to God in prayer with you. 	
HOMEWORK for next session	 RECONCILATION WITH PERSON #3 (Use confession list above as reconciliation list) Use items from the above confession list to seek forgiveness of Person #3. Then use <i>Confession Checklist</i> as a memory jogger to add to the list. 	
Main CTO Study: (in front half of the book)	DS3 - Part 2: Intro: Implications of the Gospel	
Additional Study: (in back half of the book)	<u>Controllers</u> : Intro and Study 1: Understanding Controllers (On Contrast and Comparison Chart (1:10-12) highlight items true of husband in yellow and things true of wife in pink)	
Memorize:		
Practice:	Give suggestions in areas disciple can continue to apply the principles they are learning.	
Application:	Meet with Person #3 to seek forgiveness and reconcile.	