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Cultivating Hope

Cultivating Hope Study Group Ground Rules

- PRIORITY:** While you are in the study, please give the group meetings priority. We will meet for approximately [you fill in here] weeks.
- PARTICIPATION:** Everyone who wishes to participate may, but no one dominates. All members of this group are valued and their questions and comments matter.
- Let's respect that there may be those who are part of this group who are here to just listen for now, and are not quite comfortable at this time talking or sharing within the group. Let's give them time and just let them listen for now.
- Also, please bring a Bible with you.
- RESPECT:** Everyone is given the right to their own opinion, and all questions, even what may be considered by some to be 'dumb questions' are encouraged and respected.
- CONFIDENTIALITY:** Anything said in the group is NEVER repeated outside the group.
- STUDY LENGTH :** This group will meet [include day/ times]. Every effort will be made to stay within these time parameters.
- EMPTY CHAIR:** The group stays open to new people at every meeting as long as they understand the ground rules.
- SUPPORT:** Permission is given to call upon each other in time of need at any time.
- MISC INFO:** We ask that we would each take turns in bringing snacks and goodies to the group, if you feel comfortable. You are NOT required to take a turn, but it is our goal that no one "get stuck" with this responsibility every week. We'll close each week asking for a volunteer or volunteers. [MODIFY AND ADD ANY INFO HERE YOU WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE]
- CONTINUING:** What happens to the group after finishing this course? The group is free to disband or continue to another course.