

Leadership Development Course: Frontline Edmond

Purpose. This course is designed to prepare current and future leaders for greater responsibility in the local church through personal growth in:

- Orthodox, historic theology
- Integrated leadership and grace-paced living
- Embodying the Spirit Filled distinctive of Frontline Church

Commitment.

- Sunday August 14th - 5-8pm - Development Group Dinner/ Story Night
*These dinners will be held in the home of your development group leaders or someone in your group.

- Sunday August 28th - 4-6pm - Large Group Gathering and Development Group
- Sunday September 25th - 4-6pm - Large Group Gathering and Development Group
- Sunday October 23rd - 4-6pm - Large Group Gathering and Development Group
- Sunday November 20th - 4-6pm - Large Group Gathering and Development Group
*On the large group gathering nights we'll meet at Frontline Edmond and your development groups will meet onsite following a time of teaching.

Development group goals. We'll seek to share our hearts and move to prayer on the spot, as we're prompted and empowered by the Spirit. In preparation, development group leaders and participants listen to "Aiming for the Heart," and read "A Guide for Sharing Life Stories" and "A Guide to Facilitating Prayer." Participants are invited to listen and read these resources as well.

Books. Participants will be responsible to read the following according to the syllabus below:

- Packer's *Concise Theology*
- Peter Scazzero's *The Emotionally Healthy Leader*
- Ed Welch's *A Small Book about a Big Problem (Anger)*, *A Small Book for the Anxious Heart (anxiety)*, or *A Small Book About Why We Hide (Shame)* - Each person will choose one and purchase for themselves.

Content. All content (minus the books above) included in this syllabus can be found at www.frontlinechurch.com/ldc. Email Brandon Hey if you have any questions. BHey@frontlinechurch.com.



AUGUST

August 9th-14th: Development group leaders and participants listen to “Aiming for the Heart,” and read “A Guide for Sharing Life Stories” and “A Guide to Facilitating Prayer.”

After reading “A Guide for Sharing Life Stories” write down notes for your personal story and be prepared to share on August 14th.

August 9th-14th: Order your chosen Ed Welch book. Options: 1. *A Small Book for the Anxious Heart* 2. *A Small Book About A Big Problem (Anger)* or 3. *A Small Book About Why We Hide (Shame)*.

August 14th: Development Group Dinner & Story Night. 5-8pm.

At dinner you will receive *The Emotionally Healthy Leader* by Peter Scazzero and *Concise Theology* by JI Packer. You will also receive the course syllabus and be able to ask your development group leaders questions.

August 14th - 28th:

1. Read *Emotionally Healthy Leader Intro - Chapter 2 (Pages 11-80)*.
2. Read *Concise Theology Chapters 30-36 (Pages 95-113)*.
3. Read Days 1-15 of your chosen Ed Welch book.
4. Fill out your monthly reflection **by August 26th** and submit to development group leaders. You can find the monthly reflection link at www.frontlinechurch.com/ldc.

August 28th: Large Gathering and Development Group. 4-6pm at Frontline Edmond. We will first meet for a time of teaching and then break into our development groups.



SEPTEMBER

August 28th - September 25th:

1. Read *Emotionally Healthy Leader Chapter 3 (Pages 81-114)*.
2. Read *Concise Theology Chapters 53-70 and 83-86 (Pages 159-203 and 238-247)*.
3. Read Days 16-35 of your chosen Ed Welch book.
4. Fill out your monthly reflection **by September 23rd** and submit to development group leaders. You can find the monthly reflection link at www.frontlinechurch.com/ldc.

September 25th: Large Gathering and Development Group. 4-6pm at Frontline Edmond.
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OCTOBER

September 25th - October 23rd:

Spirit-Filled Distinctive Study

- **Week 1: September 25th - October 2nd**
 - Read Acts 1-7
 - Aim to read a chapter each day. As you read, think on the following questions:
 - How is the Holy Spirit active and at work in this passage? What would have ceased to happen if the Holy Spirit stopped working?
 - How did the Apostles respond to the working of the Holy Spirit? How would you respond if this happened to you today?
 - What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you now through this passage? In other words, are there things that stand out, pictures that come to mind, places you are feeling conviction, etc.?
 - Read "[Chapter 25: Conclusion](#)," from *The Holy Spirit*, by Gregg Allison and Andreas Köstenberger. **Visit the LDC website to access chapter.**
 - Aim to consciously rely on the Spirit throughout the day.
 - Oftentimes, we forget the power and presence of the Holy Spirit with us. Each day, take intentional moments throughout the day to remind yourself of the Spirit, and to rely on him. Try to be consciously aware of him throughout the day.
 - Each morning, noon, and evening, take five minutes to slow down. Remind yourself that the Spirit dwells in you and with you. Ask the Spirit to guide you and strengthen you and empower you.



- **Week 2: October 3rd - October 9th**

- Read Acts 8-14
 - Aim to read a chapter each day. As you read, think on the following questions:
 - How is the Holy Spirit active and at work in this passage? What would have ceased to happen if the Holy Spirit stopped working?
 - How did the Apostles respond to the working of the Holy Spirit? How would you respond if this happened to you today?
 - What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you now through this passage? In other words, are there things that stand out, pictures that come to mind or places you are feeling conviction?
- Read "[Chapter 5: Charismatic](#)," from *Spirit and Sacrament*, by Andrew Wilson. **Visit the LDC website to access chapter.**
- Reflect on the following questions:
 - What spiritual gifts do you currently have, and how do you practice them? Are there ways that you could more faithfully exercise these gifts? If you are unsure about your spiritual gifts, ask your family, friends, and community for their input.
 - What spiritual gifts do you earnestly desire? How are you pursuing these gifts?
 - Are there some spiritual gifts that make you feel uncomfortable? Why? If possible, identify someone you know who practices this gift and ask them about it. Ask what they experience and how they feel when they practice that gift.
 - Would you be willing to ask the Spirit to give you a spiritual gift that makes you uncomfortable?

- **Week 3: October 10th - October 16th**

- Read Acts 15-21
 - Aim to read a chapter each day. As you read, think on the following questions:
 - How is the Holy Spirit active and at work in this passage? What would have ceased to happen if the Holy Spirit stopped working?
 - How did the Apostles respond to the working of the Holy Spirit? How would you respond if this happened to you today?
 - What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you now through this passage? In other words, are there things that stand out, pictures that come to mind, places you are feeling conviction, etc.?
- Read "[Chapter 5: Practicing the Power of Healing](#)," from *Practicing the Power*, by Sam Storms. **Visit the LDC website to access chapter.**
- Pray for the Sick
 - This week, be attentive to pray for the sick. If you interact with someone who has some sickness, from a headache to cancer, ask if you can pray for them on the spot. In faith, ask for God to heal them.



- **Week 4: October 17th - October 23rd**

- Read Acts 22-28
 - Aim to read a chapter each day. As you read, think on the following questions:
 - How is the Holy Spirit active and at work in this passage? What would have ceased to happen if the Holy Spirit stopped working?
 - How did the Apostles respond to the working of the Holy Spirit? How would you respond if this happened to you today?
 - What is the Holy Spirit speaking to you now through this passage? In other words, are there things that stand out, pictures that come to mind, places you are feeling conviction, etc.?
- Read "[Chapter 8: Principles for Prophecy Today](#)," from *Practicing the Power*, by Sam Storms. **Visit the LDC website to access chapter.**
- Practice listening and prophetic prayer
 - Many times, the Spirit is speaking, but we aren't listening. Take time each day to practice listening prayer. In particular, ask for prophetic words of encouragement and upbuilding. This may come as a word, a picture, an impression that God spontaneously brings to mind.
 - No matter how strange or out there it seems, write down anything that seems it may be from the Lord, for you or for others.

- **Capstone Project:**

- Prophetic Exercise.
 - Pray through the list of prophetic words you've worked on in Week 4. Pick at least one of them that seems for someone else, take a risk, and share the word for the person. Before you do, talk to your development group leaders about what you are wanting to share and get their feedback. When you share, be sure to ask them if what you shared means anything to them. Regardless of whether it does or not, pray for them.
 - Afterwards, write about your experience. Use the monthly reflection link at **www.frontlinechurch.com/ldc**.

October 23rd: Large Gathering and Development Group. 4-6pm at Frontline Edmond.

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November

October 23rd - November 20th:

1. Read *Emotionally Healthy Leader* Chapters 4-5 (Pages 115-172).
2. Read *Concise Theology* Chapters 1-23 (Pages 21-78).
3. Read Days 36-50 of your chosen Ed Welch book.
4. Fill out your monthly reflection and submit to development group leaders. You can find the monthly reflection link at www.frontlinechurch.com/ldc.

November 20th: Large Gathering and Development Group. 4-6pm at Frontline Edmond.
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