



Because NVC has embraced a semester model for our growth group ministry, we take breaks in between semesters.

“What?! Why?!”

New Vintage Church’s growth groups are a “semester model, sermon-based, small group ministry.”

This means that we have on-ramps (semester starts) and off-ramps (semester ends). It also means the following:

- You get to avoid burnout.
- You can sign up for a different group the following semester or take a break altogether.
- You can become a facilitator or host for the following semester.
- The opportunity is presented to open more groups for the following semester.
- Cliques in the church are avoided.
- You have the opportunity to grow in your spiritual gifts, e.g. leading worship, hospitality, prayer, etc.
- Being sermon-based, the church will grow up in the same healthy doctrine. No rogue teaching allowed.

“But I’m going to really miss seeing my growth group members every week!”

I get that. Yet, it is very important that the above bullet points are realized, in order to have a relationally and spiritually healthy church.

And in order to GROW. At NVC, we are a missional people. Gospel Mission > Personal Preferences

Besides, you built some great relationships this semester, and who’s to say that you can’t do things that friends do? So, reach out to that friend and grab some coffee or go to the movies. *Do life together.*

The next semester will be coming up soon!

Any questions/comments/concerns? Let me know.

Pastor Paul

