

HOW TO

Run a TAP Workshop

So, you want to gather people for **real** conversations about **faith**, **politics**, and what it means to follow Jesus in a divided world? Amazing. A **TAP Workshop** is a great way to introduce The After Party, spark deep discussion, and create a space where people can listen, learn, and grow together—**all in a single day or weekend**.

This isn't about picking sides or winning arguments. It's about shifting from the what of politics to the how—how we engage, how we love, and how we stay connected even when we disagree. And that starts here.



What is the Workshop Format?

- A one-day (4-6 hours) or 2-3 day crash course version of The After Party.
- A mix of teaching, video content, and guided discussions—engaging but not overwhelming.
- Designed for **larger groups** that break into smaller discussions for deeper conversations.



Why Run a Workshop?

- Short on time? This format gives participants a full experience without a six-week commitment.
- Not just passive learning. Every session includes interactive discussions that help participants wrestle with real questions.
- A great way to start. Perfect for church-wide events, leadership gatherings, or community conversations.
- A space for healing. It's no secret that politics
 has divided families, friendships, and churches. A
 workshop helps people start to rebuild trust and
 understanding.

"We began the One Day Workshop with people feeling panicked, hesitant, and exhausted. By midday, they described feeling hopeful, valued, empowered, and relieved."

- PASTOR IN ATLANTA, GEORGIA



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Some topics in The After Party may evoke strong emotions. Here's how to approach them with care:

STEP 1

Plan Your Workshop Format

- Pick a date & format. Will it be a single day (4-6 hours) or a weekend retreat?
- Register your workshop. For access to helpful tools and updates along the way, don't forget to register your workshop.
- **Secure a venue.** You'll need a space for **b**oth large-group teaching and small-group discussions.
- Test your tech. Set up and test video and sound beforehand—no lastminute surprises!
- Assign facilitators:
 - A main facilitator (pastor, leader, or trained volunteer) to guide the large group.
 - Table facilitators (if possible) to help lead breakout discussions.
- **Get familiar with the material.** The <u>Facilitator Guide</u> walks you through everything you need to know.

STEP 2

Invite & Promote

- Extend the Invitation! Reach out to church members, small group leaders, friends, or anyone in your community who could benefit from these meaningful conversations. The more diverse the voices, the richer the discussion!
- Spread the Word! Use The After Party marketing materials to get people excited—whether it's a quick announcement in church, a post in your group chat, or a flyer on the coffee shop bulletin board. Let people know they're invited into something bigger!

STEP 3 Prepare Your Workshop Materials

- Get Set Up! Register for the course at <u>after-party.org</u> to unlock the videos and discussion materials—everything you need to lead a thoughtful and engaging group.
- Equip Your Group! Make sure each participant has a workbook, whether printed or digital. It's their guide for reflection, discussion, and deeper engagement throughout The After Party!

STEP 4 Run the Workshop

Kickoff (Large Group)

- · Welcome & opening remarks
- Set expectations for the day

Main Sessions

- Watch each video lesson as a large group.
- Break into small groups for guided discussions after each video.

Closing (Large Group)

- Reflect on what's been learned.
- Pray together & discuss next steps.

Sharing Your Experience

- Encourage participants to take the <u>post-course survey</u>, we've included a
 QR code at the end of this document to print and bring to your last session.
- We encourage leaders to jot down quotes, stories, and signs of change: both for the good of your people and the broader Church. We'd be grateful if you shared them with us at info@redeemingbabel.org.
- Take it a step further! Share what you've learned with your friends, family, or on social media. Your insights could encourage others to begin their own journey! Use #TowardBetterChristianPolitics to join the conversation.



Tips for a Meaningful Experience

These discussions can sometimes feel overwhelming or fraught, but we believe The After Party will leave your group feeling more hopeful and equipped to engage the political moment as faithful believers. Here are a few tips to create the most meaningful and constructive environment possible!

- Foster a judgment-free space. Encourage honest, humble conversations.
- Stick to the schedule. Keep discussions moving so there's time for everything.
- Provide food & coffee. Nothing breaks down walls like sharing a meal.
- Test tech in advance. Avoid awkward delays by making sure everything works ahead of time.

Recommended Resources

Facilitator Guide: Your roadmap to leading well.

<u>Participant Workbooks</u>: Available as PDFs or online in the course.

<u>The After Party Book</u>: A great supplement for deeper reflection.

Worship & Prayers: Resources to set the right tone for your gathering.

"We had people from across the political spectrum engaging with humility and hope. That's a rare and beautiful thing in today's world."

- PASTOR IN MANTUA CREEK, NEW JERSEY





The moment's here—you're ready to lead with hope and humility.

The After Party isn't just a course—it's an invitation to something better. A better way to engage with politics, a better way to stay in relationship, and a better way to reflect Jesus in a divided world.

Your workshop might be the first time someone feels heard, sees a new perspective, or begins to heal from the wounds politics has left. You don't need to be an expert, just someone willing to create the space and trust God with the rest.

Let's do this together.

