
It's not good for man to be alone...

GOD SAID IT'S NOT GOOD TO BE ALONE.

Genesis 2:18 / Proverbs 27:9,10 / Proverbs 27:17

WHEN WE GO IT ALONE...

... we lose PERSPECTIVE.
1 Kings 19 / Ephesians 6:12

... we fear INTIMACY.
John 4 / Luke 22

... we become SELFISH.
Luke 9:23, 24 / Philippians 2

God is a RELATIONAL BEING, and we are created in His image.
Genesis 1:26,27

SIN WRECKED this image but JESUS PRAYED.
Genesis 3 / John 17:20-23

LIFE GROUPS HELP US LOVE ONE ANOTHER!

John 13:34, 35

NEXT STEPS

Use these study questions to turn a message into a conversation. Join with a life group and continue to grow by using these study questions this week.

MY STORY

Throughout this series we've seen the importance of community and the fact that we're not built to run alone. In fact, we're created for community. What's the hardest part for you about relationships?

Can someone live a joy-filled life in isolation from others?

Describe a time in your life when you were not living in meaningful relationship. What were some of the consequences?

Several consequences were mentioned in the message for people who live in isolation... which have you experienced?

- a. Loss of Perspective.
- b. Fear of Intimacy.
- c. Selfishness.
- d. Other.

GOING DEEPER

Consistently gathering together with a small group of people (Life Groups) is a key step in making time and space for each other. As a group meets, there are specific actions and attitudes that help a group thrive and people connect.

However, being in relationship can be hard and take work. Read the following verses and write down from this verse what attitudes you can bring to your group:

Proverbs 12:18

Proverbs 15:23

Psalms 19:14

Ephesians 4:15-16

Ephesians 4:29-32

James 1:19

TAKING IT HOME

Spend some time getting to know each other's story and remember to pray for each other as we begin this nine week journey together!

THE PURPOSE OF LIFE GROUPS

Life Groups exist to promote spiritual maturity and personal growth through meaningful Christian relationships and the study of God's Word. (Romans 8:29 & Hebrews 10:24-25). Here's how it will happen.

SHARE

Each week we'll take time to share what is happening in our lives. At first this sharing will include planned "sharing questions." But after the first few weeks, it will become more informal and personal as we feel more comfortable.

STUDY

Each week we'll study a section from God's Word that relates to the previous weekend's sermon or an appropriate personal growth topic. Our goal is to learn how to live out our Christianity in everyday life.

SUPPORT

Each week we'll learn how to take care of one another as Christ commanded (John 15:9-13). This care can take many forms, such as prayer, encouragement, listening, challenging one another and meeting real needs.

SERVE

Spiritual growth is fostered not only by what we gain through the support and input of others, but also through service to others. The role each of us fills is important to the health of the church and for us to be the hands and feet of Jesus to the community in which we live (Ephesians 4:11-16).