



SMALL GROUPS

HONOR GOD. MAKE DISCIPLES

Big Idea

The best version of you exists on the other side of great relationships. What is one time your life was better because of the people you were doing life with?

Get Started

“For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. For the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many parts, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it.” - 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 ESV

Discussion Questions

1. God created us from community, for community. We are the only part of God's creation that has the potential to reflect God to the world. What is one way you are reflecting God to your neighbors? What is one thing you can do this week to reflect Him to them?
2. Disconnecting from God creates a disconnection from others. When have you felt disconnected from God? How did that affect your relationships with people you love? With people you struggle to love?
3. Jesus recreates community with God and with others. Where are you in your relationship with God? Have you allowed Jesus to restore it?
4. Our vertical relationship to God overflows into a horizontal relationship with others. Share about a time you experienced healing and wholeness in a relationship because of what God was doing in your life and/or the other person's life.
5. Jesus gives us the power to forgive because He has forgiven us (Ephesians 4:32). Is there anyone you need to forgive today?
6. Jesus is creating a family that is not based on ethnicity or bloodline, but on the blood of Jesus (Matthew 12:46-50). What is one way you can reflect Jesus to someone who is different than you? How can you invite them into community?
7. How can we be a church and a community that faces outward and invites people in?

Prayer

This past week held our first "All Church Prayer Gathering" on the third Saturday of the month. We will continue it to do that. God led the group to pray for Protection for our families and for Unity in the body of Christ. Please join us in that prayer effort.