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We Pursue Spiritual Growth & Life Change in Community

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1. Pursuing spiritual growth is an essential expectation of following Jesus

John 1:35-42

2 Thessalonians 1:3

2. Jesus uses others to influence life-change in us

Acts 5:40-42

The community that the Disciples developed and relied upon was both life-giving and life-changing

John 1:14

Hebrews 10:24-25

3. You have the most important thing in common when you have Jesus in common

Acts 2:42-47

The Greek word koinonia means “what is shared in common as the basis of fellowship (partnership, community)”

Every predator knows that the best way to hunt prey is to isolate one from the rest of the flock

Now What?

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FROM YOUR EXPERIENCE

How has God's family helped bear burdens in your life? (Galatians 6:2)
Have you known people who stopped connecting with God's family?
What happened?

LEARN FROM THE BIBLE

Our core value: "We pursue spiritual growth and life change in community"

Throughout the Scriptures, followers of Jesus do life and mission together. What do we learn from the following passages about the why and how?

John 13:34-35; 15:12-13

Galatians 6:2; Philippians 2:4

1 Thessalonians 1:6-7; 2 Thessalonians 1:3

Hebrews 10:24-25

What helps or hinders you from pursuing growth in community?

DISCUSS TOGETHER

What would a rich community life look like to you?

What happens to us if we stop doing life with God's community?

What are the signs of lack of community?

How has God's community helped strengthen you and one another?

What would help us 'independent people' strengthen true community? (Share specifics)

How can we connect deeper with one another and keep this as a new rhythm?

PRAY

- For our global partners to have real community where they live
- For our upcoming college retreat
- For people in your world to experience God's family

LIFE RHYTHM

Consider how you can connect deeper with your group and make this a new rhythm.