

Life in Community

Kingdom value or skill you hope to see developed: Caring for the body of Christ

Who this is for: Everyone

Desired impact on disciples: Learn how building others up in community glorifies God

Desired impact on campus/home/others: Curiosity about what makes this group different

Live life in community with other believers. Invest in each other, care for each other, and bless one another. Share stories and glorify Jesus together! God calls us to live the Christian life together. He calls us the body of Christ and no part of the body can fulfill its true purpose on its own. A foot is worthless without a leg, but when the body is together and healthy it can be used to change the world!

Hear the word

Acts 2:42-47

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

- How does togetherness play out in the passage?
- What things do the believers have in common? How does this reflect the image of Christ and show their faith in Him?
- What sacrifices do you think need to be made to have an Act 2 type community?
- What keeps you from fully living out Acts 2 community?

Respond actively

In Acts 2 we see the community giving up things they have to meet the needs of their brothers and sisters in Christ. This is the togetherness that Jesus calls us to; to give ourselves fully to the body of Christ. Bless one another: Think of someone that is on the fringe of your small group. Maybe someone that is quiet or only came once. Think through this question, "What is one way you could bless that person today?" Commit to actually doing it (whatever would bless them) by the end of the day.

Debrief and Interpret

- What was exciting about living out togetherness? What was scary?
- Who did you bless? What did you do to bless them? How do you think it went?
- What has living out Acts 2 taught you?
- What would you need to do differently to live out this principle daily?

Expand the influence

As a group, bless another community