

Retro Discussion Questions (10-1-23)

Week 4 - What is Community?

Instructions: A life group is a family growing in Jesus together (worship), caring for each other (community), and BLESSing our neighbors together (mission). Start with a couple of the CONNECT questions. Then read the Scriptures and discuss. Make sure to conclude by applying the passage and finishing with a time of prayer.

CONNECT Questions (choose 1-2)

1. What is something you are thankful for this week?
2. From Sunday's message, is there a thought or idea that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, or surprised you?
3. Are you facing a challenge right now?
4. Share a story where you see Jesus at work in the world around you and how you've been able to join him. Remember, God works through small stories.

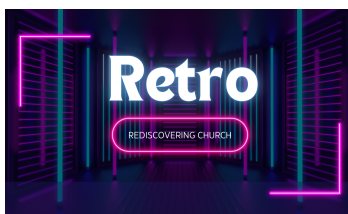
Look through the One Another passages on page 2 (also in "Sermon resources" at avalonchurch.org)

1. Which passage(s) most resonate with you? Explain.
2. Which passage(s) are hardest to live out? Explain.
3. In your opinion, what does healthy community look like in a small church or life group? Does that happen in your group?
4. How does **COMMUNITY** flow from and lead to **WORSHIP** and **MISSION**. In other words, how are they related?
5. What is the difference between community and What do you learn about people in this passage? (yourself, others)
6. What do you learn about God in this passage? (his character, his ways, etc.)

LIVE IT OUT

1. Pastor Don shared that sharing in communion together or having someone share their story each week are great ways to foster community. Is this something you are willing to do?
2. What are some other ways you can live out **COMMUNITY** in your life group?

SPEND TIME IN PRAYER TOGETHER



One Another's in the New Testament

1. Love one another (John 13:34 + 16 other times)
2. Be devoted to one another (Romans 12:10)
3. Honor one another above yourselves (Romans 12:10)
4. Live in harmony with one another (Romans 12:16)
5. Build up one another (Romans 14:19; 1 Thessalonians 5:11)
6. Be likeminded towards one another (Romans 15:5)
7. Accept one another (Romans 15:7)
8. Admonish one another (Romans 15:14; Colossians 3:16)
9. Greet one another (Romans 16:16)
10. Care for one another (1 Corinthians 12:25)
11. Serve one another (Galatians 5:13)
12. Bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2)
13. Forgive one another (Ephesians 4:2, 32; Colossians 3:13)
14. Be patient with one another (Eph. 4:2; Col. 3:13)
15. Speak the truth in love (Ephesians 4:15, 25)
16. Be kind and compassionate to one another (Eph 4:32)
17. Speak with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs (Eph 5:19)
18. Submit to one another (Ephesians 5:21, 1 Peter 5:5)
19. Consider others better than yourselves (Philippians 2:3)
20. Look to the interests of one another (Philippians 2:4)
21. Bear with one another (Colossians 3:13)
22. Teach one another (Colossians 3:16)
23. Comfort one another (1 Thessalonians 4:18)
24. Encourage one another (1 Thessalonians 5:11)
25. Exhort one another (Hebrews 3:13)
26. Encourage one another to love and good works (Heb 10:24)
27. Show hospitality to one another (1 Peter 4:9)
28. Use your gifts for the benefit of one another (1 Pet 4:10)
29. Clothe yourselves with humility towards one another (1 Pt 5:5)
30. Pray for one another (James 5:16)
31. Confess your faults to one another (James 5:16)