

THE RESTORATION OF COMMUNITY

The Vision #2

The LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him." Then the LORD God made a woman from the rib he had taken out of the man, and he brought her to the man. The man said, "This is now bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called 'woman,' for she was taken out of man." The man and his wife were both naked, and they felt no shame.

Genesis 2:18, 22,23, 25

Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and they realized they were naked; so they sewed fig leaves together and made coverings for themselves. Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Genesis 3:7-8

(John 13:34-35; Acts 2:44)

"Teacher... what must I do to inherit eternal life?" He answered: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' "... "And who is my neighbor?" In reply Jesus said... "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise."

Luke 10:25-37

(1 Timothy 3:14-15)

The call to Real Life is the call to _____!

A. Common _____

Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another...

1 John 4:11-12

B. Common _____

Then we will no longer be infants... Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the Head, that is, Christ...

Ephesians 4:14-16

3 benefits of community:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

C. Common _____

"...you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it."

Matthew 16:18

... And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Acts 2:46-47

For your small group this week, think about this...

- What "we were created for community" mean? What does that imply for people who are not participating in community?
- Why does sin cause separation? Where have you seen the separating effects of sin?