

How Small Groups Makes A Big Difference

What is connection? Result of being connected to the right person at the right place doing the right things at the right time

Connection: John 17:21 “That they all may be as one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I In You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that You sent Me.”

- Being connected put you in a place where the fullness of life flows to you and through you. Identity is found, fulfillment happens.
- When merged with people of like minds and purpose, humanity is capable of achieving great things. Matthew 18:19 “Again I say to you that if two of you agree on earth concerning anything that they ask, it will be done for them by My Father in heaven”
- In Connection we understand Paul’s words: Ephesians 4:16 “ From whom the whole body, joined and knit together by what every joint supplies, according to the effective working by which every part does it’s share, causes growth of the body for the edifying of itself in love”.
- When connection happens, its a beautiful powerful thing Acts 2:1 says that 120 believers were in one accord, it ignited a worldwide movement called Christianity.
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Protection: Care for one another. Hebrews 10:24-25 “And let us consider one another in order to stir up Love and good works, not forsaking the assembly of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another; and so much more as you see the Day approaching.”

- Iron man statement; Proverbs 27:17 As “Iron sharpens Iron, So a man sharpens the countenance of his friend”
- Creating Community: Live life together, spend time together, doing activities, helping each other....

- Acts 2:4 “ And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in prayers. 44 “Now all who believed were together, and had all things in common, and sold their possessions and goods, and divided them among all, as anyone had need.”
- Acts 4:32 “ Now the multitudes of those who believed were of one heart and one soul; neither did anyone say that any of the things he possessed was his own, but they had all things in common.”
- Philippians 2:3,4 “Let nothing be done through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.” Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others.”
- Galatians 6:10 “Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith,”
- When we come together, God’s protection is there. Proverbs 11:14 “Where there is no counsel, the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety.”

Direction: Proverbs 3:5,6 “Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct your path”

- Growing in Faith: Romans 10:17 “ So faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the Word of God.”
- Spending time with faith-filled believers will boost your own ability to trust God.....
- Unity of our faith: Ephesians 4:13-15 “ Till we all come to the unity of faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ; that we no longer be children tossed to and fro and carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, in the cunning craftiness of deceitful plotting, but speaking the truth in love , may grow up in all things into Him who is the head- Christ.”

We are not created to be alone or on an island.. just as the body is made..... so are we as people to be fitly joined with one another.