

EVERY LIFE - 2
“Every Life Needs a Cheering Section”
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What distinguishes happier people from less happy people is the presence of meaningful relationships.

Genesis 2:18 *The Lord God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone.”* (NIV)

Ephesians 3:16-18 *I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, 18 may have power, together with all the Lord’s holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.* (NIV)

· **There is power in Connection.**

Proverbs 18:1 *An unfriendly person pursues selfish ends and against all sound judgment starts quarrels.* (NIV)

Psalms 133:1 *How good and pleasant it is when God’s people live together in unity!* (NIV)

John 13:34-35 *“A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”* (NIV)

1. Every Life needs Acceptance.

Romans 15:7 *Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.* (NIV)

James 5:16 *Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.* (NIV)

2. Every Life needs to Serve.

Galatians 5:13 *You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love.* (NIV)

3. Every Life needs Encouragement.

Hebrews 10:24-25 *And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.* (NIV)

ARE YOU CONNECTED?