



Purposeful Community

Genesis 2:18

**It is not good for the man
to be alone.**

Point 1:

Community Shapes You

Proverbs 13:20

He who walks with wise men will be wise, But the companion of fools will be destroyed.

1 Corinthians 15:33

**Do not be deceived: Bad
company corrupts good
character.**

Point 2:

**Community Helps
You Grow**

Acts 2:42-47 NKJV

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Acts 2:42-47 NKJV

Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.

Acts 2:42-47 NKJV

All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.

Acts 2:42-47 NKJV

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts.

Acts 2:42-47 NKJV

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.

Ephesians 4:16

From whom the whole body,
joined and knit together by
what every joint supplies...
causes growth of the body for
the edifying of itself in love.

“There can be no maturity in the spiritual life, no obedience in following Jesus, no wholeness in the Christian life apart from an immersion in and embrace of community. I am not myself by myself.”

-Eugene Peterson

Point 3:

**Community Requires
Commitment**

Point 4:

**Community Becomes a
Witness to the World**

Acts 2:47

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

John 13:35

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

"A primary task of the community of Jesus is to maintain this lifelong cultivation of love in all the messiness of its families, neighborhoods, congregations, and missions. Love is intricate, demanding, glorious, deeply human, and God-honoring, but...never a finished product."

-Eugene Peterson