

# Encounter Week 2 – Fellowship Small Group Discussions

### **ICE BREAKER:**

If you had an opportunity to interview anyone, living or dead, who would it be, other than Jesus?

### **VIDEO REFLECTION:**

Is there something that stuck out to you from the videos?

#### **SCRIPTURE:**

There are many verses about the importance of Fellowship and Community, here are some starting points, but feel free to utilize however best fit for your group.

Philippians 2:2-4 — Paul encourages us with do's and don'ts of community. What are some of the don'ts listed and what impact do they have on fellowship?

Acts 2:42-47 – One of the key attributes of the success of the early church has often been attributed to their commitment to fellowship and community. What were some key elements of their fellowship that may seem radical to us today?

Hebrews 10:23-25 – What is the connection between holding true to the hope of God and the power of fellowship?

(I Cor 10-11; Romans 12; I Cor 12; word study – koinonia (strongs 2842) – bible hub; I John 1:3-7)

## **DISCUSSION:**

- 1. Is there a time that you can point to that you felt you had real community/fellowship, what were some of the characteristics you experienced?
- 2. What are some things in your life that you feel impact your ability to have fellowship/community? (time, energy, availability, fear, hurt)
- 3. What are some ways that community/fellowship has encouraged you in your walk before? (*encourage specifics*)
- 4. Have you ever been hurt in community? How do those experiences impact your willingness to walk in fellowship currently?
- 5. How does Christ sacrifice (Hebrews 10:19-22) factor into the way we walk in community/fellowship?
- 6. When in your life are you most tempted to run away from fellowship instead of towards it (Hebrews 10:25)
- 7. Through watching the video, reading some of the verses, what are some things that God is speaking to you?

<u>Leader's Note:</u> Leaders, please be sensitive to the Holy Spirit during this section of the discussion. Please take extra time and space for God to highlight and bring healing to past hurts of past relationships and what God is doing.

- 8. What is he asking you to do about it? How can we help?
- 9. Spend some time with prayer/praise requests and praying for each other.