# Our Virtual

# PoverGroup Friends Week 3 Study

### **Icebreaker**

Do you agree with the statement, "There is strength in numbers." Why or why not?

## Passage 1 Hebrews 10:22-25 (NIV)

"Let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 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.

**Reflection** What keeps us from gathering in community?

Why do you think it's important to meet and encourage one another?

# Passage 2 Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NIV)

Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labor: If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up. Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone? Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.

Reflection God did not create us to be independent, but dependent on Him and each other!

Have you ever been in a situation where you needed someone's help and had no one to help? How did it feel?

Have you ever been in a situation where you had someone there to help? How did it feel?

## Passage 3 Mark 6:7 (NIV) | Philippians 1:4-5 (NIV) | Genesis 2:18

"Calling the Twelve to him, he began to send them out two by two and gave them authority over impure spirits."

"In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now."

"The Lord God said, 'It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper suitable for him.'"

Reflection After reading all these scripture verses we can see that two is clearly better than one. Why do you think this is?

### **Application**

Pastor Chris gave us an example of how redwood trees can be over 300 feet tall but the roots only go approximately 5-6 feet deep into the ground. They are only able to find their strength and stability because they weave each other's roots together. You see, the redwood trees teach us that we find strength in numbers. They are BETTER TOGETHER!!

How can you be that strength or stability that someone may need? Let's find opportunities to invite them to our PowerGroups/ church.

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