

IN HIM WE LIVE AND MOVE AND HAVE OUR BEING



# **BOOK 2, CHAPTER 2**

Relational Beings: Physically-Present Spiritual Family

### THIS WEEK

Incarnational

When we decide to follow Jesus, we are adopted into God's family and become brothers & sisters. The divisions marked out by culture no longer serve to separate us. Instead, we are called to live in the peacemaking love of Jesus, even when it's not easy.

We can only learn this *together*! In an increasingly distracted and digital age, how will we reclaim what it means to be relational beings? Creekside, "let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another..." (Hebrews 10:24-25).

#### **ICE BREAKER**

How do you view the pros & cons of working remotely vs on-site?

#### **BOTTOM LINE**

The Holy Spirit draws us from distance to nearness.

#### **GROUPS SCRIPTURE**

Read about the birth of the Early Church in Acts 2:36-47. CHECK OUT TODAY'S SCRIPTURE & VIDEO AND TAKE TIME TO DISCUSS A QUESTION OR TWO FROM EACH SECTION.

## **LEARNING HIS STORY**

The activities of the Early Church included Teaching, Fellowship, Prayer, Large Groups, Small Groups, Breaking Bread and Eating.

- 1. Which of these ingredients can/cannot be replicated well online?
- 2. Are any of these more valuable or critical than others?
- 3. Are any strangely absent from most churches you're familiar with?

## **EXAMINING OUR STORY**

- 4. Under what circumstances are you most prone to withdraw from in-person gatherings with other believers?
- 5. Are you an extravert or introvert?
- 6. How much should personality factor into participation?
- 7. Where would our kids/grands rank the priority of going to church?

### FINDING A NEW STORY

As society trends toward less consistency in church attendance:

- 8. Which factors most commonly impact our group's consistency?
- 9. Are we aware of any realistic ways to combat this trend?
- 10. What would we stand to lose if we prioritized the gathering over everything else again? What would we stand to gain?



Access our curriculum digitally through the Small Groups tab of our church's app.

