

Sermon Discussion Questions - September 5 & 7, 2025 The Power of Community Acts 2:38-42

Cornerstone Men

Cornerstone Men equips men to follow Jesus, connect in community, and grow in their faith.

cornerstonechurch.community/men

RightNow Media

Cornerstone provides access to RightNow Media, so if your group would like to use their resources for a study, check out the site!

rightnowmedia.org/Account/Invite/cornerstonesi

Cornerstone Women

Cornerstone Women's mission is to help women follow Jesus through growth in community at Cornerstone Church. cornerstonechurch.community/women

Meal for Care Night

Each week, a small group provides dinner for attendees of Care Night, held on Wednesday nights. If your group is interested in serving in this way, email Gayle at gdwight@cornerstone.team.

<u>Ice Breaker:</u> We live in a world that often celebrates going it alone—but the truth is, we need each other to really flourish.

• Q1: Have you ever felt God provide people in your life right when you needed them? What happened?

Read Acts 2:38-42 and Romans 12:5 together—the ultimate examples of early church community.

- Q2: What stands out to you about how the early church viewed and lived out community?
- Q3: Dustin mentioned that "there is no appendix in the Body of Christ." What
 do you think your "function" or role is in the church right now? Are you using it?
 Why or why not?

The Christian life can be difficult—we all encounter barriers to community along the way.

- Q4: Which of the obstacles to community (distraction, busyness, counterfeits, rejection, unrealistic expectations, offense) do you most identify with right now?
- Q5: Have you ever been hurt by Christian community or rejected by others in the church? How has that shaped your willingness to engage again?

Sometimes we are tempted to wait for others to reach out, but real connection often starts with us.

• Q6: What might it look like for you to "go first" in being vulnerable or inviting someone into your circle? What holds you back from doing that?

Even when things aren't perfect, the Gospel sustains us and gives us hope for the future when it comes to community.

- Q7: Can you think of a time when the Christian community helped "double your joy or cut your sorrow in half"? Share it with the group.
- Q8: How does the Gospel help us stay committed to community, even when people disappoint us or things get messy?

Take a few minutes to encourage each other and spend some time in prayer together!

Upcoming Scripture for Next Week: Matthew 1:1-17