



# SMALL GROUPS

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*Life alone isn't living. We SHARE community.*

**Beautiful Design**

**Week 10 – Together for the Gospel**

Men and women have been created in the image of God. By their very nature, they share a fundamental identity as equal participants in imaging God, have equal responsibility to spread the glory of God, and are equal recipients of grace. Men and women have been created in distinct ways and have been entrusted with complementary purposes that come together in a beautiful way for the going forth of the gospel.\*

As we begin today, let's take a few minutes to process what we've discovered so far.\*

**What concept or idea has been most meaningful for you throughout this series?\***

**What has been most challenging for you to embrace or apply?\***

This week, we welcomed our kids in the "big church." Pastor Bob made this statement about our kids:

*"We want our kids to know that God made them wonderfully. It's not about how they feel that day, it's about Who God is every day."*

**Discuss the previous statement. How are you communicating that truth the kids in your life, whether your own, or someone else's?**

**How important is it that they understand their unique identity in Christ?**

**What is your greatest desire for your children?**

Whether you know it or not, you are being disciplined by your culture.

**Read Ephesians 5:15-21 and discuss ways you can counteract the messages our culture is sending.**

All Christians are united in Christ by faith.\*

**How should this truth impact how men and women relate to one another within the community of faith?\***

**The following are Six Hopes for Our Church. Please read and discuss.**

1. We would fix our eyes on Jesus – the author and perfecter of our faith.  
**Men – being a Biblical man is overwhelming**  
**Women – it's hard to walk in submission**  
**Fix your eyes on Jesus – Hebrews 12:2**
2. We would trust the Bible is our authority, and that every command and implication in the Bible is meant to lead us to life and lead us to joy.  
**Do you trust the Bible or trust your experience?**
3. We would take Biblical manhood seriously, and celebrate and encourage it.  
**God will not call you to what He will not empower you to do.**  
**As a Biblical man, what has God called you to do?**
4. We would take Biblical womanhood seriously, and celebrate and encourage it.  
**God will not call you to what He will not empower you to do.**  
**As a Biblical woman, what has God called you to do?**
5. We would be deeply and visibly for each other.  
**Discuss how mutual submission illustrates the gospel.**  
**Why is it a beautiful thing to see two people loving and serving one another?**
6. How we interact with each other as husbands and wives and as men and women would be a beacon of hope in a depraved and broken world.  
**We must be living images of the gospel.**

At Nebo Crossing we want to be a church willing to see behind the veneers in our community...

Broken marriages	sexual perversion
Teen pregnancy	obesity
Drug addictions	physical aggression

We invite you to be real in your struggle, authentic in your search for relationship with God, and empowered by Him to live out His gospel.

**Whether they're something you're facing in a real way right now, or something you're getting victory over, why is it important to talk about your struggles?**