FULLY **TOGETHER**

"FULLY ALIVE" SERIES || PART 2 OF 4 LEAD PASTOR NATE SWANSON **SEPTEMBER 21, 2025**

GO "ALL IN" THIS YEAR!

- 1. CONNECT IN A SMALL GROUP
- 2. GET VISION IN **DISCOVER TRACK**
- 3. GO DEEPER IN A GROW CLASS
- 4. MAKE A DIFFERENCE ON THE DREAM TEAM
- 5. PRAY ABOUT GIVING IN DECEMBER'S LEGACY OFFERING

LET'S GO ALL IN...TOGETHER:

GO PUBLIC WITH THIS DECISION. BRING SOMEONE WITH YOU.

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...speaking the truth in love, we will grow to become in every respect the mature body of him who is the head, that is, Christ. 16 From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.

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"...leave your sacrifice there at the altar. Go and be reconciled to that person..."

MATTHEW 18:15-17 NLT

"If another believer sins against you, go privately and point out the offense. If the other person listens and confesses it, you have won that person back. 16 But if you are unsuccessful, take one or two others with you and go back again..."

> 1. MAKE IT A **PRIORITY** 2. KEEP IT **PRIVATE** 3. BE CLEAR ABOUT YOUR **PURPOSE** 4. GO PERSISTENTLY

FITTING TOGETHER... there are more than 50 commands like these in the New Testament:

agree with one another (1 Cor 1:10; Phil 4:2) carry each other's burdens (Gal 6:2) be compassionate to one another (Eph 4:32) have equal concern for each other (1 Cor 12:25) confess your sins to each other (James 5:16) be devoted to one another (Rom 12:10) fellowship with one another (1 John 1:7) forgive each other as Christ forgave (Col 3:13) be gentle with one another (Eph 4:2) offer hospitality to one another (1 Pet 4:9) **be humble** toward one another (1 Pet 3:8) honor one another (Rom 12:10) instruct one another (Rom 15:14: Col 3:16) **be kind** to one another (1 Thess 5:15)

live in harmony (Rom 12:15,15; 1 Pet 3:8) be like-minded (Rom 15:15,16) love one another as Christ loved us (John 13:34) love one another deeply (1 Pet 1:22: 4:8) have sincere love for one another (1 Pet 1:22) keep on loving each other (Heb 13:1) be patient with each other (Eph 4:2) live in peace with each other (1 Thess 5:13) rejoice with those who rejoice (Rom 12:15) serve one another in love (Gal 5:13) speak to one another with love, psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs (Eph. 4:15; 5:19) submit to one another (Eph 5:21) wait for each other (1 Cor 11:33)

5 STEPS TO EFFECTIVE REPENTANCE:

- 1. "I'M SORRY" Express genuine regret. Something has been negatively affected by my choices so I'm willing to express my concern and compassion for those I've hurt.
- 2. NAME THE SIN "Sorry about the other night" isn't good enough. Naming the specific sin is vital. We must talk about the sinful motives behind our hurtful actions. "IF" has no place in true repentance. For example: "I'm sorry if I hurt you by what I said." or "I'm sorry if you feel that way." Work hard at eliminating the "if". Own your sin. Until then, we are blaming them for being weak.
- 3. "WILL YOU PLEASE FORGIVE ME?" This is a question. Not. "I hope you can forgive me." Not. "I'm glad we've resolved this." Also not, "Are we good?" "Will you forgive me?" makes me VULNERABLE! ASKING this question reminds me that this is an ongoing conversation and that I am IN THIS until it is resolved. For deeper issues, it takes words and actions over time to hear "yes".

4. VOW TO CHANGE

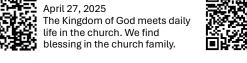
Once forgiveness is offered, clarify your intention and plan to change. Reassure the other person that you value them, take your sin seriously, and that you don't plan to keep sinning & cleaning up the same mess. "It was wrong to yell at you like that. I was selfish and impatient. I was thinking about me and not you. I don't want to do that anymore. I want to learn to slow down and ask more questions. I want to understand you better and not simply control you with my anger. I want to learn more from you about how you see this sin and I want to learn from the Word of God about how to live differently. I'm not pretending this will be immediate or easy but I really want to do this differently and I will learn to."

5. REPLACE WHAT WAS LOST

If I ever, in sin, damage or destroy another person's property then I should pay back fully what was lost. It's wrong to assume my words are enough to cover the offense of pawning my wife's pearls.



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