

# MORE: Cultivating Community Pt1

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## **CULTIVATING: Community with Others**

*As image-bearers of God, humanity was created to live in community. The church is in its greatest expression of love when we live in close proximity with each other as a community that gathers around the person of Jesus. Discipleship happens best in the context of relationships as we invite, invest, and inspire one another.*

Mathew 11:28–30 (see NIV & MSG)

### **1. belonging leads to becoming** (1 Cor 12:7)

*Incubation*: the process of keeping the environment under the right conditions so it can develop.

*Manifestation (pha•ne•ro•sis)*: to make something visible, or clear, to make something known, to reveal something'

*Common Good (sum•phe•ro)*: to add up, to profit

### **2. Sometimes the More Vulnerable becomes the more valuable** (1Cor 12:12-17, 22)

### **3. Practicing Rhythms Together Leads to Experiencing More Together** (Rom 12:16)

Harmony: a pleasant musical sound made by different notes being played or sung at the same time

### **4. A Habit of Isolation Leads to a Habit of Insulation** (Hebrews 10:24-25)

## QUESTIONS

1. Read Matt 11:28-29. A “yoke” was the set of laws, interpretations and expectations laid down by a higher authority (often religious or political). What are some elements of the “yokes” you have had placed on you in your faith journey?
2. What is it about Jesus’ yoke that makes it “easy and light”?
3. Why does the enemy want to keep us isolated? Why does He work so hard to destroy Christian Community?
4. What does it look like to “practice rhythms together”?

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