

SESSION 2

Moving From Individualism to Community

TRUTH: *What is God saying?*

Genesis 2:18 says, Then the LORD God said, “It is not good that the man should be alone; I will make him a helper fit for him.” Why do you think it’s “not good” to live life alone?

In what ways is individualism dangerous both for us and the people around us?

EQUIPPING: *How do we live this out?*

Proverbs 27:17 says, “Iron sharpens iron, and one man sharpens another.” What are some ways we are sharpened by community?

The picture of “iron sharpening iron” implies that when two people come together in relationship, sparks will fly! Conflict is an inevitable part of community. How do we tend to deal with conflict in community?



ACCOUNTABILITY: *How am I personally doing in this area?*

Read Hebrews 10:23-25. We are told in this passage to consider how to build each other up in community. As you consider what this looks like for you, where have you been successful in this, and what have been the roadblocks?

Hebrews 10 says to not neglect to meet together. Donnie talked about the value of both large and small gatherings. Have you been guilty of neglecting one or both of those kinds of gatherings?

MISSION: *Going out with the Gospel*

Many people in the world live individualistic lives, and as a result are lonely in ways they don't even realize. Can you think of anyone in your life that would benefit from community? What would it look like to invite them into the community of the church?

SUPPLICATION: *Praying for what only God can do*

Ask God to help you live in community, and avoid the dangers of individualism. Pray that God would help you to be a part of "stirring up one another to love and good works" within your community.