

In His Steps: Practicing the Way – Week 10 Small Group Questions

Opening Prayer 

Ice Breaker 

1. What's a community you've been part of (sports team, hobby group, etc.) that made you feel an instant connection.
2. If a random person invited you to lunch after church, how would you respond?

Discuss 

Main Scriptures: Genesis 1:26-27, Mark 3:13-14, Acts 2:42

1. In Genesis 1:26-27, what does it mean that we are made in the image of a relational God? How does that shape our need for community?
2. Pastor Ryan said, "Being surrounded by people is not the same as being known by people." Do you agree? Where do you see that reality in your own life?
3. Acts 2:42 says the early believers "devoted themselves." What does devotion to community look like practically today?
4. James 5:16 connects confession to healing. Why do you think spiritual healing requires honesty?
5. Pastor Ryan said, "Most of us want community that supports us, but not community that shapes us." Do you agree? Why or why not?
6. Pastor Ryan said, "You can follow Jesus alone, but you cannot become like Him that way." What do you think he means? How have other believers shaped your growth in Christ?
7. Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 and Ephesians 4:15-16. How well are you doing at living in community with the church today? If everyone pursued community the way you do, what kind of church would we become?

Practice

Invite someone to coffee, dinner, or into your home this week. Don't wait to be invited. In that conversation, go beyond surface topics by sharing something real and asking something meaningful.