

Level Up- Episode II

"Your Community"

WHAT DOES THE WORLD SAY WHAT DOES GOD SAY

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellow-ship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common. They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. **Acts 2:42-47**

There is a disparity in God's picture of community and what I'm seeing from the world.

What did Jesus say?

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit Matthew 28:19

1514 appearances of the word GO in the Bible

Did God actually say that?

Garden of Eden. Is that what God says....

Genesis 3 - the serpent talking

Jesus' temptation. Satan asking Is that what God says...

Mathew 4 - if you are the Son of God, turn these stones to bread

not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another. **Hebrews 10:25**

God said it, I want to do it... what's the holdup?

Jesus himself would withdraw to a quiet place to pray. It was to draw closer to come back then connect with the people.

Sometimes people are annoying.

If you aren't extending Grace where sometimes people take advantage of it, you aren't extending it far enough

- Chuck Swindol

All scripture is from the New International Version unless otherwise noted.