



## Sermon Notes & Discussion Questions

**Date: August 24, 2025**

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**Sermon: Better Together**

**Scripture: Acts 2:42-47**

### Sermon Notes:

#### 1. God Created Us for Community

- “It is not good that the man should be \_\_\_\_\_.” (Genesis 2:18)
  - Community isn’t just what God **does**; it’s who God \_\_\_\_.
  - We were made in the image of a relational God to live in rhythm with others.
  - The first “not good” in Scripture was aimed at \_\_\_\_\_.
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#### 2. Jesus Redeemed Us Into Community

- Sin didn’t just break our relationship with God—it broke our relationship with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - “By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have \_\_\_\_\_ for one another.” (John 13:35)
  - Jesus didn’t just save us **from** something—He saved us **into** something: a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Christianity is not “me and Jesus,” it’s “\_\_\_\_ in Christ.”
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#### 3. The World Was Changed Through Community

- The early church didn’t change the world with programs, but with \_\_\_\_\_.
  - “And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being \_\_\_\_\_.” (Acts 2:47)
  - Their love and sacrificial community made the gospel \_\_\_\_\_ to the watching world.
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#### So What?

- Every decision we make moves us toward \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_.
- A Christian without community is like a coal pulled from a fire—it quickly grows \_\_\_\_\_.
- **We weren’t made for \_\_\_\_\_—we were made for \_\_\_\_\_.**

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**Action Steps:**

- Stay a few minutes after service and meet someone new
- Join a group or class this week
- Invite someone into your life this week
- Ask God: *“Who do I need to connect with today?”*