Life Group Questions

Bridge Builders

Passage: Romans 12:14-16

Introduction: This week, John talked about being a Bridge Builder, someone who moves towards others relationally and seeks to bless them. When we do this, we act like people who have been saved by the ultimate Bridge Builder Jesus Christ, loving as we have been loved.

Additional passages: Zephaniah 3:17; John 13:34-35; 17:10-11, 20-23.

Questions:

1. **John noted that God describes the church as a body, implying interconnectedness and dependence on one another. How does one part of your physical body being sick or malfunctioning affect you? How does this analogy of body and church affect your engagement with others who are suffering at Redeemer?**

2. **John noted that God calls us to bless "those who persecute us," that is, our enemies (Rom 12:14). He said this means wanting good for them and calling upon God to bless them. Are you doing that with those who oppose and belittle you? How can you foster this "bless others" attitude?**

3. **Read Romans 12:15 and Zephaniah 3:17. What does Zeph. 3:17 communicate about the heart of God towards people who have something to be happy about? How is it going with rejoicing with those in our church body who are rejoicing vs. being envious of them and despising their success?**

4. **John noted that "living in harmony with one another" (Rom 12:16) requires humility and includes moving towards others and "being a catalyst for team spirit." How can you do that as a part of Redeemer right now?**

5. **John noted that those who are humble don't just huddle with the same group of people in the church all the time; instead, they continue to form new relationships. How is that going in your life? Who at Redeemer can you get to know who you have seen, but don't know yet?**

6. **How and who do you think God wants you to serve in the church right now? Think about this in an official volunteer team capacity and in an unofficial relational capacity.**

Relevant Resources for Body Life at Redeemer:

a. **Serve in a ministry of the church: link to learn more.**

b. **Explore membership:** Consider Redeemer sign up
c. **Disciple others: Life Group Leader** application