

# Never Alone: How to Build Relationships that Last

## Week 2: Live in HARMONY with One Another

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### In this Session:

We continue our fall worship series **Never Alone** by exploring the command to “LIVE IN HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER.” This teaching and all “the-one- another” commands were foundational to early Christian communities. It’s been said, “The primary activity of the early church was ‘one-anothering’ one another.” In this session we’ll discuss how the church today can “Live In Harmony with One Another.” (You can use this guide for personal reflection or with your group.)

### Warm-Up Question:

Our world is faced with many opinions, differing ideas and opposing thoughts about life. For example, what do you prefer - Coke or Pepsi? Who is your team - KC Royals or St. Louis Cardinals? What’s your dream – a mountain vacation or time at the beach? 😊

With so many potential views on just about everything from sports and dream vacations to politics and religion... how is it possible as a Follower of Jesus Christ to “Live in Harmony with One Another?”

### Key Passages:

Let’s read these passages:

- 2 Timothy 3:1-5 You should know this, Timothy, that in the last days there will be very difficult times. <sup>2</sup>For people will love only themselves and their money. They will be boastful and proud, scoffing at God, disobedient to their parents, and ungrateful. They will consider nothing sacred. <sup>3</sup>They will be unloving and unforgiving; they will slander others and have no self-control. They will be cruel and hate what is good. <sup>4</sup>They will betray their friends, be reckless, be puffed up with pride, and love pleasure rather than God. <sup>5</sup>They will act religious, but they will reject the power that could make them godly. Stay away from people like that!
- Romans 12:14-21 <sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you. Don’t curse them; pray that God will bless them. <sup>15</sup>Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. <sup>16</sup>Live in harmony with each other. Don’t be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don’t think you know it all! <sup>17</sup>Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. <sup>18</sup>Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone.

<sup>19</sup>Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, “I will take revenge; I will pay them back,” says the Lord. <sup>20</sup>Instead, “If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals of shame on their heads.” <sup>21</sup>Don’t let evil conquer you but conquer evil by doing good.

### Discuss:

- As you read each of the passages above, what did the Holy Spirit point out to you?
- As you listened to the sermon on Sunday, what did the Holy Spirit point out to you?
- Read Romans 12:14-21 again. Several times Paul mentions steps we can take to break down relational barriers. For example, bless instead of curse, don’t be too proud, never take revenge etc. What are your thoughts about these steps and others mentioned in this passage?
- How would these actions in Romans 12:14-21 help promote HARMONY with others?
- Where have you fought for you your preferences over other’s desires? Have you caused disunity because of your pride? If there is a particular person that comes to mind, how can you pursue HARMONY this week? If you feel comfortable, ask the group to pray for you and invite God’s help into your relationships.
- Take a moment to honestly assess how you’re doing in YOUR journey to “Live in HARMONY” with others.
- What are some helpful patterns that might encourage you to grow in this area?

### Pray:

Spend some time praying that God will help you and those in your group grow to Live in Harmony with One Another.