

Doing Life Together Discussion Questions

Ecclesiastes 4:1-16

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1. Do you feel lonely, or do you feel connected with friends? If you feel lonely, what is something you can do to connect more with people? If you feel connected, how did you get connected?
2. What are the benefits to being part of a Christian community like Edgewood?
3. Why does oppression isolate people? Why don't people get involved in these types of situations?
4. Why does being envious of other people or the things they have cause us to isolate ourselves from them?
5. Why is Satan more successful with his attacks when we are alone instead of with others?
6. Read Ecclesiastes 4: 9-12. How are two people together better than one person by himself?
7. Read Proverbs 27:17. How has a friend sharpened you or made you better?
8. Who do you go to when you feel down, worried, upset, or have good news to share? How does this person help you to work through your issues?
9. How does having someone to share the work make the work easier?
10. If you don't have a Christian community to go to, who lifts you up when you fall, who helps you when you are struggling?
11. What do you feel is the biggest barrier to people helping other people out in our world today? Why?
12. How has the people of Edgewood, your growth group etc. helped you during a time when you were struggling with your faith? What did they do to encourage and help strengthen your faith?
13. What are some of the "One Another" statements of the Bible that come to mind? Why can't we live these out if we are not in community with other Christians? How are you living out these statements in your Christian community?
14. How has a friend helped keep you from falling completely apart during a challenging time in your life?
15. How can more close friends allow you to do more work? How do they make it easier?
16. How can your friends help you to reach someone for Christ that you haven't been able to reach? Why might they be able to get through when you can't?