Riverwood **Growth Group**

DISCUSSIONGUIDE

Forward Together (Forward #2)

Week of ***February 9, 2020***

While this Discussion Guide is intended for use in a Riverwood Growth Group, it can be used personally as well. To get the most from these questions, we suggest you take 10-15 minutes to read, think, and pray through this Guide before participating in your Growth Group. The point of this guide is to not just "get through the questions" (there's no quiz at the end!) but to pursue Jesus and grow spiritually.

ICEBREAKER (Optional)

What is something you find more enjoyable when shared with other people?

DISCUSSION

Read Acts 4:32-33

1. Luke writes that those who were a part of the early Church "were of one heart and soul" (v. 32a).
   a. What enabled the early Church to experience this type of unity? *(Hint: Skim the surrounding verses.)*

   b. What would enable Riverwood to have this kind of unity?

   c. What would enable us to have this unity with other local churches as well?

Read Ephesians 2:18-22

2. a. The Apostle Paul uses a couple different metaphors for the Church in this passage. What metaphors does he use?

   b. How do these metaphors help a church "move forward together"?

MAKING IT PERSONAL

In the narrative of the early Church from Acts 2:42-47 and 4:32-33, we find that the closer we are to Christ, the closer we should become to one another.

3. What is one way that *you* can move forward in unity with fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, whether at Riverwood or within the local body of believers?

MEMORY VERSE

"I will give them one heart and one way, so that they will always fear Me for their own good and for the good of their children after them." (Jeremiah 32:39)

PRAYER

As you close in prayer, praising God for the salvation that is found in Jesus Christ, ask God to draw the Riverwood family together in unity for the purposes of His glory and the furthering of His mission.