



LIFE GROUP RESOURCES:

SHARE: When someone asks "How are you?" what's your typical response? How does the Maasai greeting "How are your people?" change the way we think about our well-being?

READ: Genesis 1:26-27, What does it mean that God exists in relationship (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)? How does being made in God's image connect us to relationships? In what ways do you see God's relational nature reflected in your own life?

READ: Colossians 2:9. How does understanding that God Himself is relationship change how we view our own relationships? What makes the Christian understanding of God (Trinity) unique compared to other faiths?

READ: Genesis 2:18. Why did God say it was "not good" for man to be alone? The word "helper" (ezer) is the same word used to describe God. What does this tell us about partnership and companionship? Where in your life do you most feel the need for meaningful companionship?

READ: Genesis 2:25. What does it mean to be "naked and not ashamed" in a relationship? What does it look like to be fully known and fully accepted? What prevents us from experiencing this kind of vulnerability today?

READ: Genesis 3:12-13. How did sin immediately affect Adam and Eve's relationship? The sermon said: "Put away your magnifying glass and get out your mirror." What does this mean practically? Where do you tend to blame others rather than taking responsibility in your relationships? How is selfishness at the core of relationship breakdown?

READ: Matthew 22:37-39. Why did Jesus say the greatest commands are about relationships? How does our relationship with God affect our relationships with others? Which is harder for you—loving God or loving people? Why?