

Missing Pieces: Better Together
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1. When you were younger, did you benefit from an adult speaking into you? Who was a positive influence on your life back then and how did that connection impact who you are today?
2. When we as parents and as families are in community with other believers, what benefits does that bring for children? If you have kids, have they experienced other healthy adults connecting with them in meaningful ways?
3. Studies show that “loneliness is as bad for you as smoking.” Why do you think loneliness is so detrimental to one’s health? What is the physical and spiritual danger of spending too much time alone? What causes people to feel alone?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 12:15-26
What does the Bible tell us about being connected? How does connectivity impact our life experience? Why do all parts of the body matter?
5. Do you think that social media connections (Facebook, Instagram, texting, etc.) are a substitute for the type of “body” the Bible calls us to be? What is the difference between participating in things that just give you information *about* life and actually being in transformational communities that *give* life?
6. Where have you benefited from getting together with others? How has it changed your life?
7. Read Romans 12:4-7
How does being connected with people unleash our godly purpose? What kind of giftings has God given you? How can you use those giftings within the body of Christ?
8. Do you think the connectivity brought through the internet has any value in developing our calling? How or how not? What are some creative ways we can stay connected to other believers?