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#3 FELLOWSHIP: Formed for God's Family Small Group Notes

Memory verse for this week: "You are members of God very own family...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian." Ephesians 2:19b (TLB)

What have you personally learned from your reading of "What on Earth am I Here For?" this week? We are looking forward to meeting together to learn more about what it means to be part of God's family. To get yourself thinking: which of these statements is most true of you? A) I squeeze my relationships into my schedule. Or B) I plan my relationships into my schedule.

FOUR LEVELS OF FELLOWSHIP

The Fellowship of _____ Together

~ Share your _____

"When you gather...each one of you be prepared with something that will be useful for all: Sing a hymn, teach a lesson, tell a story, lead a prayer, provide an insight...Take your turn, no one person taking over...and you all learn from each other." 1 Corinthians 14:26-31 (MSG)

~ Share your _____

"Rejoice with those who rejoice and weep with those who weep." Romans 12:15 (NKJV)

The Fellowship of _____ Together

God wants every one of us to belong to a church family. "You are members of God's very own family...and you belong in God's household with every other Christian." Ephesians 2:19b (TLB)

The Fellowship of _____ Together

"We are partners working together for God." 1 Corinthians 3:9a (TEV)

The Fellowship of _____ Together

When you serve together, you do your part, but when you suffer together, you share your heart. "Share each other's troubles and problems, and in this way obey the law of Christ." Galatians 6:2 (NLT)

Discovery Questions:

1. If true wealth were measured by the depth of your relationships, how wealthy would you be?
2. What could you change in your schedule that would give you more time to build healthy relationships?
3. What does your level of involvement in your local church say about your love for God's family?
4. How can you help cultivate the characteristics of fellowship in your church and your small group?

The number one reason God wants us to love each other is so the world will see our love and will want to become a part of God's family too. God wants us to love each other because other people's eternal destinies are at stake.

Fellowship of Serving Together:

Take a few minutes to discuss a service project your group can do together. This could be a project at your church, or an opportunity for your group to help a church family or individual in need. Begin making plans to complete this project in the next three weeks. (Some ideas: new church project, meals for family/person in need, visit shut-ins or those you know in the hospital. We know you can be creative!)

For this week:

~Read chapters 15-21 in "What On Earth Am I Here For" before your next small group meeting.

~Share with the world what you are learning by placing a favourite quote from the book or Scripture verse on your Facebook page, or by tweeting with the hashtag #PDL, or even bringing it up in conversations!

~Can you memorize this week's the theme verse this week as part of your daily devotional time?

