

Lessons for Life

WHY WE NEED EACH OTHER

40 Days of Community August 27/28, 2011 Pastor Michael Rochelle

"Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others." Rom. 12:5b (NLT)

1. I NEED OTHERS TO	WALK	WITH ME.
"Just as you received Christ Je	esus the Lord, so i	walk in Him"
Col. 2:6(ESV)		

"It is not good for man to be alone." Gen. 2:18 (NLT)

"Let us not give up the habit of meeting together... Instead, let us encourage one another." Heb. 10:25a (TEV)

Community is God's answer to: <u>Loneliness</u>

"When you gather, each one of you be prepared with something useful for all: Sing a hymn, teach a lesson, tell a story, lead a prayer, provide an insight... Take your turn, with no one person taking over. That way... you all learn from each other." 1 Cor. 14:26, 30-31(Mes)

"As each part does its work, it helps the other parts grow, so Christ's whole body is healthy and growing and full of love." Eph. 4:16 (NLT)
"Open your homes to each other without complaining." Peter 4:9 (TEV)
2. I NEED OTHERS TO WORK WITH ME. "God made us to do good works, which He planned in advance for us to live our lives doing." Eph. 2:10 (NCV)
"Two people are better than one, because they get more done by working together." Eccl. 4:9 (NCV)
• Community is God's answer to: <u>Fatigue</u>
"Every time we get the chance, let us work for the benefit of all, starting with the people closest to us in the community of faith." Gal. 6:10 (Mes)
3. I NEED OTHERS TO <u>WATCH OUT</u> FOR ME. "Look out for one another's interests, not just for your own." Ph. 2:4 (TEV)
"Keep being concerned about each other as the Lord's followers should." Heb. 13:1 (CEV)
"A person standing alone can be attacked and defeated, but two can stand back-to-back and conquer. Three are even better, for a triple-braided cord is not easily broken." Eccl. 4:12 (NLT)
• Community is God's answer to: <u>Defeat</u>

"If one person falls, another can reach out and help. But people who are alone when they fall are in real trouble." Eccl. 4:10 (NLT)

4.	I NEED OTHERS TO	<u>WAIT</u> WITH ME AND
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		g family, full of sympathy toward
_	f one member suffers, al SV)	l suffer together." 1 Cor. 12:26
	• Community is God	's answer to: <u>Despair</u>
		are happy, weep with those who Rom. 12:15 (TEV)
	ncourage each other an 11 (GW)	d strengthen one another." 1 Th.
"Y ar		WITNESS WITH ME. will prove to the world that you
to		ant you to be afraid of people, but to love them and enjoy being wit

"...You are working together and struggling side by side to get others to believe the Good News." Ph. 1:27b (CEV)

God's answer to fear is <u>Community</u>