

Live Life Connected

Authentic = real, genuine, original, true.

Then the LORD God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him."

Genesis 2:18 (NLT)

Q—Have you ever felt lonely in a crowded room?

Loneliness = the painful awareness that we lack meaningful contact with others.

Group Life Weekend 2012:

Church is a "We thing."

Hebrews 10:19-21 (NIV)

"Let us..."

Hebrews 10:22a (NIV)

The power of "Let Us":

↘ Let us draw _____.

Q—Are you coming clean?

Hebrews 10:22 (NIV)

↘ Let us hold onto _____.

Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

Hebrews 10:23 (NIV)

I mean that I want us to help each other with the faith that we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you.

Romans 1:12 (ERV)

↘ Let us _____ one another on.

Q—What does it take to motivate you?

“And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.”
Hebrews 10:24 (NIV)

Spur = to sharpen alongside.

As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another.
Proverbs 27:17 (NIV)

↘ Let us not _____ up.

Not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.
Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

Closing Questions - Are you living for “me” or “we”?

ANSWER KEY:
near, hope, spur, give

Doing Life Together Discussion

A Launching Point for Your Small Group

Theme: *Live Life Connected*

Read Together: Acts 2:42-47

Warm Up:

- Share a time when you had the most fun ever with a group of friends?
- What did you do and why was it so fun?

Dig: The book of Acts describes what the first century church is like.

- How is it different from church life today?
- What are some things we can learn and adapt from how they did things in the past?

Reflect:

- How are you challenged to live differently after reading about these first Christians?
- What would be the results if we truly lived in “authentic Christian community”? What would happen to us and the community around us?

Prayer: Take time to share the good things God has going in your life and pray for one another of the needs that you have in your group/family.