

Image and Identity

Group Guide:
Week 5

CONNECT BREAK THE ICE AND GET PEOPLE TALKING

- What has your experience in Christian community been like?
- What was more important growing up: being an individual or being in community?
- Discipleship check-in (at the bottom of this guide!)

INTRODUCTION

An individual in community - this is who God calls us to be. How do we maintain our individuality while being deeply unified with other believers? Today, we will take time to think and pray about how God is calling us to step into our identity as a part of his spiritual family.

Pray before you start and ask the Spirit to speak to you about how he wants to transform you.

READ & DISCUSS

READ: Genesis 2:18

DISCUSS:

- Why do you think it is “not good that the man should be alone”?

READ: 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

DISCUSS:

- Count the amount of times the word “body” and the words “part(s)” or “members” are used.
- Finish these sentences. “The body is not complete, or whole, without _____.” And “All parts are absolute necessary to _____.” How does this speak to how we are supposed to see ourselves as an individual in community?

REFLECT & APPLY

DISCUSS:

- Do you see yourself as a part of a larger whole in terms of the body of Christ? Why or why not?
- What steps can you take to more intentional pursue fellowship with other believers?

PRAY

Praise the Trinity for revealing themselves as individuals in community. Pray that God would give us all the grace to know how to maintain our individuality while being deeply connected to the body of believers.

Discipleship Check-In

- Have you prayed and read your Bible consistently the past week?
- Who is someone you're praying to share Jesus with this week, and what's one way you can love them well?