

Title: Becoming a team player
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Word

God's winning team

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 (NLT)

⁵⁷ But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁵⁸ So, my dear brothers and sisters, be strong and immovable. Always work enthusiastically for the Lord, for you know that nothing you do for the Lord is ever useless.

a. What are the benefits of being part of a team?

a1. It's not about you

Galatians 6:3 (AMP)

For if any person thinks himself to be somebody [too important to condescend to shoulder another's load] when he is nobody [of superiority except in his own estimation], he deceives and deludes and cheats himself.

a2. You need to contribute

Galatians 6:4 (AMP)

But let every person carefully scrutinize and examine and test his own conduct and his own work. He can then have the personal satisfaction and joy of doing something commendable [in itself alone] without [resorting to] boastful comparison with his neighbor.

a3. You must play your role

Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.

a4. You share in both suffering and glory

Romans 8:17 (NLT)

And since we are His children, we are His heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share His glory, we must also share His suffering.

b. What is essential when it comes to a team (family)?

b1. Must be relationship (love)

John 13:35

Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are My disciples.

b2. Must be agreement

Matthew 18:19 (AMP)

Again I tell you, if two of you on earth agree (harmonize together, make a symphony together) about whatever [anything and everything] they may ask, it will come to pass and be done for them by My Father in heaven.

b3. Must be order & structure

Joel 2:7-8 (NLT)

⁷ The attackers march like warriors and scale city walls like soldiers. Straight forward they march, never breaking rank. ⁸ They never jostle each other; each moves in exactly the right position. They break through defenses without missing a step.

b4. Must be unity of purpose

Philippians 1:27 (NLT)

Above all, you must live as citizens of heaven, conducting yourselves in a manner worthy of the Good News about Christ. Then, whether I come and see you again or only hear about you, I will know that you are standing together with one spirit and one purpose, fighting together for the faith, which is the Good News.

God wants us to go from:

neighbour



friend



family



partner