



The Gospel is not individualistic

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Paul's life is not a matter of seeking his own comfort or advancement. It is all about seeking advancement of Christ's kingdom!


A clear Message in Philippians:

The Gospel is not individualistic: Christians are to share in rich fellowship with one another, and to be united together in service to promote the gospel

Only let your manner of life be worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that whether I come and see you or am absent, I may hear of you that you are standing firm in one spirit, with one mind striving side by side for the faith of the gospel. Philippians 1:27

¹ So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Philippians 2:1-2


³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Philippians 2:3-4




²⁰ "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, ²¹ that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me.

²² The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one.


John 17:20-22



¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. ¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit. 1 Cor 12:12-13




²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control; Galatians 5:22-23




I appeal to you, brothers, to watch out for those who cause divisions and create obstacles contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught; avoid them. Rom 16:17

I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. 1Co 1:10



It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit.

Jud 1:19

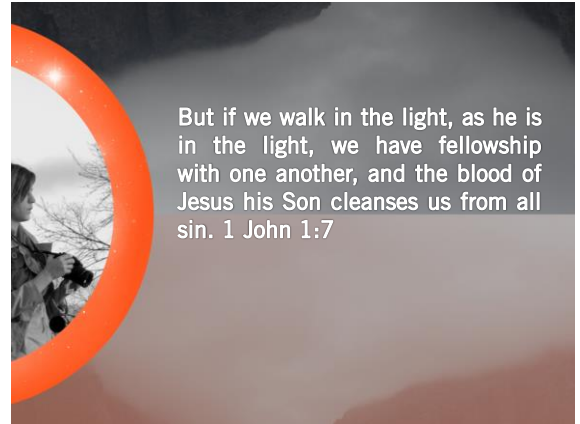
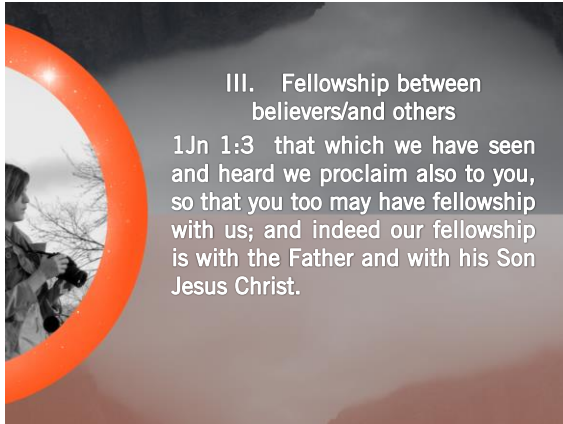


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A **small group** is a place where the Kingdom of God becomes practical. God chose the Church as His vessel with which to change the world, and small groups is where we practically start changing the world by changing ourselves and others around us. A small group's focus is discipling people to become like Christ, and this implies growth. Growth that is stimulated through relationship; connecting relationally with those around you in a safe and trusting family environment. Learning to embrace, celebrate and master looking after one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. As we grow together, seeing and bringing the best out of each other we can start reaching out to those who are not yet part of the church. Bringing them to a place where we walk a discipleship road with them in a small group, and seeing God's Kingdom coming in their lives as well.