

# *Life Groups: Connecting people to God, His Word, and One Another*

*Questions based upon Pastor Bill's message on March 25.*

## **CONNECTING PEOPLE TO ONE ANOTHER:**

- 1) Tell us about your best friend. Why are they your best friend?
- 2) Have you ever been on team, in a church, or part of an organization that was strongly unified together to accomplish a goal? What stands out to you about that experience?

## **CONNECTING PEOPLE TO GOD'S WORD: Read John 17:13-26**

- 1) Pastor Bill reminded us this week that the Word of God has the power to change lives. He told us that staying in God's word is important. How has the Word of God changed your life? How do you stay connected to it?
- 2) Please read John 17:23 multiple times. Why must the church be brought to complete unity?
- 3) Jesus prayed this prayer for all of us. Share a few things that he was specifically praying for?

## **CONNECTING PEOPLE TO GOD THORUGH THE SERMON AND PRAYER:**

- 1) What strikes you as being most significant about Jesus' prayer?
- 2) How is joy a proof of Jesus' presence in our lives?
- 3) How significant is unity in the church?
- 4) What were 5 requests that Jesus made for his followers in this prayer/What were Pastor Bill's 5 main points? Which one stood out the most to you?
- 5) What is the Great Commandment according to Mark 12:30-31?
- 6) Why is "Unity" paramount for the Body of Christ according to John 17:23?
- 7) What else did you write down in your notes? What stood out to you?

## **APPLYING THIS LESSON:**

- 1) List 5 things we can do to contribute to unity in the church?

## **PRAYER:** Pray through John 17:13-26. Pray for:

- 1) God to fill us with his joy (verse 13)
- 2) Renewed passion for God's Word (verse 14)
- 3) God would protect us from the evil one (verse 15)
- 4) Unity within our church (verse 20)
- 5) The world may know that God loves them and was sent to die for them (verse 23)