

Koinonia

Week One: Unique Friendships



Jesus taught us community is something we all need. Many of us have recognized that need in our own lives, and we are now connected in a Cove Life Group. Being connected allows us to help each other grow in our journey with Christ. Growing together takes commitment—to be in it for the long haul. It's not always easy, but it is worthwhile to be connected, and to also connect others along the way. In this study, we will take a look at how staying connected with God personally and being in a Life Group are key to us growing and reaching more people for Christ.

Introspect

- In this past year, what has your relationship with God and others been like?
- Have you made any New Year's resolution(s) concerning your relationship with God and others? Share with your group.

Investigate

“That which we have seen and heard we proclaim also to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us; and indeed our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son Jesus Christ.” - 1 John 1:3 (ESV)

Read 1 John 1:1-4

- What is John trying to communicate about his credibility in the first two verses?
- What relationship does Jesus have with His Father, and what kind of relationship did He have with His disciples?
- What relationship does John call us to have with one another?
- How have you “seen and heard” God in your life this past year? What impact does sharing how we’ve seen God work in our lives have on our relationships?



“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” - Hebrews 10:24-25 (ESV)

Incorporate

- How are you going to continue to grow in your relationship with God, and what steps do you need to take that will foster growth?
- As you've grown in your relationship with God, how has it changed your relationships with others?
- Maybe you've struggled with staying committed to a Cove Life Group this past year. How can you adjust your schedule to make the relationships in Life Group—your church family—a priority?
- What are some areas where you need to refuel and regroup in the coming year?
- What is your next step in building relationships around you? It might be staying committed to Life Group, or it might be stepping out and leading or hosting a Life Group. Talk about your next steps with your group.

Investment

- Is this the year you will commit to our church family and become a member?
- As The Cove reaches new people, please pray about the possibility of making room for others in community by leading a Life Group.
- Who can you personally invite to join a Life Group?

