

## Deeper Questions

### The Essentials: Love One Another 10/2/16

#### Welcome (You to Me, Me to You)

What is your favorite memory with your childhood best friend?



#### Worship (Us to God)

Read John 15:12-15... God has given us a great gift in friends. Friends make the good times better and the difficult times bearable. Spend a few moments thanking God for giving these relationships and for allowing us to call Him a friend.

#### Word (God to Us)

1. With technology and social media becoming more and more apart of our lives do you think being in community with each other is easier or more difficult? Why?
2. Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12... The Bible stresses the importance of doing life together. What are some of the consequences when we try to do life on our own? Have you experienced any of these? What does Ecclesiastes say are some of the benefits of doing life together?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-26... According to this scripture what are some of the benefits of living in community?

4. Read Romans 12:3-8... Everyone has a unique set of gifts and passions that can benefit those around them. What are your gifts and how can you use them to benefit those around you?
5. Often we are tempted to use our gifts on ourselves instead of for others. Why do you think we do this? What can we do to fight this temptation?
6. What do you need to do to live in community as the Bible describes in the previous passages we read? What would happen in your life if you did?
7. What are some the things in your life that keep you from community? What can you do to overcome them?

#### Response (Us to the World)

If we believe that community is important and life changing that means we should be inviting others into the community we have. How can you invite others into community?