

## Known Message: Together

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January 23, 2022

**Life Group Study**  
For week of January 23, 2022

Acts 2:41-47

Why be together?

*Togetherness helps heal a discontented heart.*

By knowing God, knowing others, and being known.

Practices of the first Christ followers:

- They were together.
- They learned.
- Supported each other.
- Celebrated.
- Welcomed.

Life Groups Purpose:

- Sharing.
- Study.
- Support.

*Welcome to the Winter Session of Life Groups! Many of our Life Groups use this insert as a discussion guide throughout the week. If you're not in a Life Group, consider taking that Next Step and joining one today! <https://rlc.pub/groups>*

### Share your story

Take an moment and ponder... What are your hopes and dreams for 2022?

What challenges do you already face that you'd like to bring to Jesus in prayer? Is it important to you that you are not alone? What barriers can there be in sharing your stuff with someone?

### Connect to God's story

*On Sunday Jeff talked with us about when we do life together we can know God, ourselves and our Real Life community better. **Read each of the following Scripture passages and identify the "one another" command and how beneficial it is for your group moving into this new year.***

• 1 John 4:11-13

• Galatians 6:1-3

• Ephesians 4:29-32

How can gaining additional perspective from others traveling life with you help you grow? How can it help you know God, His people, or yourself more?

**Read John 15:9-17.**

How do we remain in Jesus' love? Why does He say we need to do this? What benefit does Jesus tell us we receive? Can you identify a time where you've experienced what Jesus is talking about?

What is Jesus' command (or law; see: Galatians 6:1-3) does He wants us to obey?

*Jesus presents loving one another as an action that you do and gives Himself as the example for us to follow. Are you loving like Jesus loved? How does it change things when we see love as an action we do more than a feeling we experience?*

*"There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command... This is my command: Love each other."*

*- Jesus in the Gospel of John 15:13-14, 17 (NLT)*

## Real Life Prayer for 2022

Lord Jesus,

I affirm that I am fully known by You; my thoughts, fears, hopes, and dreams. You know my past, present, and future. I am fully known and loved by You.

I desire to know You more - Your heart, Your will, Your purposes.

I commit to making You known in my areas of influence through my words, actions, attitude, and joy. I commit to love as You love.

I ask you, Lord Jesus, to use me daily for Your purposes.

I pray this with a heart of gratitude,

Amen.

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