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3. Live as growing  
extended families



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# SEEDS: sowing for growth



*Learning to ...*

Listen to God and do what he says

Lean into our key relationships



Live as growing extended families

Love both community & celebration

# The Family Way



## 1. God is Family ...

Genesis 1:26-27

Then God said, 'Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness,

his mission is a family affair

# The Family Way



## 1. God is Family ...

John 17:22-23

May they also be in us so  
I in them and you in me

his mission is a family affair

# The Family Way



## 2. Old Testament ...

Exodus 12:3

Tell the whole community of Israel that on the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb for his family, one for each household ..

has extended family as its bedrock

# The Family Way



## 3. New Testament ...

Luke 22:15

And he said to them, 'I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer.

has extended family as its bedrock

# The Family Way



## 3. New Testament ...

1 Peter 2:5

You also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

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# We MUST BUILD Extended FAMILY !



- How we think
- How we feel

# Thinking about Jesus



## 1. His family rejected him

**Luke 4:28-29**

All the people in the synagogue were furious when they heard this. They got up, drove him out of the town, and took him to the brow of the hill on which the town was built, in order to throw him off the cliff

# Thinking about Jesus



## 1. His family rejected him

**John 1:11**  
He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

# Thinking about Jesus



## 2. He builds a new family

**Luke 5:10-11**

When Jesus said to Simon, ‘Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people.’ So they pulled their boats up on shore, left everything and followed him.

# Thinking about Jesus



## 3. He redefines family

**Mark 3:32-34**

‘Who are my mother and my brothers?’ he asked. Then he looked at those seated in a circle round him and said, ‘Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does God’s will is my brother and sister and mother.’

# How WILL YOUR Group BECOME more a FAMILY ?



- SHARED LIFE (daily)
  - SOAP
  - FOOD
  - SHARED RESOURCES
  - RELAXING
  - PRAYER
  - TESTIMONY
  - WELCOME & GROWTH

# Thinking about Jesus



## 3. He redefines family

Psalm 68:6

God sets the lonely in families

