

COMMUNITY: BUILDING THE TRELLIS

Hebrews 10.24, 25 // February 19, 2023

ROADBLOCKS

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The time we live in, ironically, makes it harder than it was for the early church to be connected. Technology and the pace of life has made us able to stay more isolated. In some ways it may connect us more, but in other ways it also gives us an easy out and escape from real relationship, being known, and knowing others.

But the roadblock of technology is welcomed for many because it helps guard from another major roadblock, which is the fear of vulnerability.

**No one has been more hurt by the church than Jesus Himself.
Yet in love He remained faithful.**

BUILDING BLOCKS

**When it comes to discipleship,
you don't need a mentor, you need the body of Christ.**

Discipleship and sanctification are far less like microwaves and far more like a slow cooker. Discipleship, sanctification, relationships, and life in the body are inefficient; slow, winding paths that lead towards our growth in righteousness.

Church Family: Every believer is called to be a part of a local body, meeting regularly to worship. This is for their own sake and health, but also for the sake of others.

Community Group: Our CG's help us live out **Hebrews 10.24, 25** and dozens of other Scriptures that give us direction for our growth.

Fight Club: This is our name for one-on-one or more personal gatherings where we "fight for the Gospel" for one another. **Philippians 1.27-30**

Dinners, Coffees, and Communion: Making space for living life with others and enjoying each other's company; knowing and being known by others.

Serving: We want not just to be poured into, but to pour out. As part of a family, we all aim to take part in the "family chores" to help achieve the greater goal.

DRAW UP THE BLUEPRINTS

As we draw up the blueprints for our trellis, we must always keep in mind that the goal is *never* to have an incredible trellis to admire and show off. The goal is always to see vibrant Vine growth that allows us to abide in the Vine. We want to enjoy Jesus. We want to love Him more deeply and love those He has given to us.

John 5.39, 40, 15.4, 5 // 1 Corinthians 13.1-3

NOTES:

Conversation Starters for Fight Clubs:

- What have you been desiring more than anything else?
- What do you daydream about?
- What lies or negative "self-talk" has been plaguing you lately?
- Are you astonished with the Gospel?
- Where have you made much of yourself, but little about God?
- What habits/addictions/preoccupations are hindering your communion with God?
- What fears have been gripping you?
- What are you learning about the Gospel? How have you been being built up in Christ and growing to enjoy Him more?
- Write out your testimony and share it with each other.

Announcements:

Prayer with the Pastors: Postponed to next Monday, 2/27. 7pm @ the McGinty's house. Email brian@lifemission.tv for the address.

This Week's Call to Worship Psalm:

Psalm 8

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, how will he not also with him graciously give us all things?

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Open the evening by reading the Call to Worship Psalm and reciting the Memory Verse together. Then pray the Psalm and the Memory Verse to open up discussion. Read **Hebrews 10.24, 25**. What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday or the past few Sundays?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

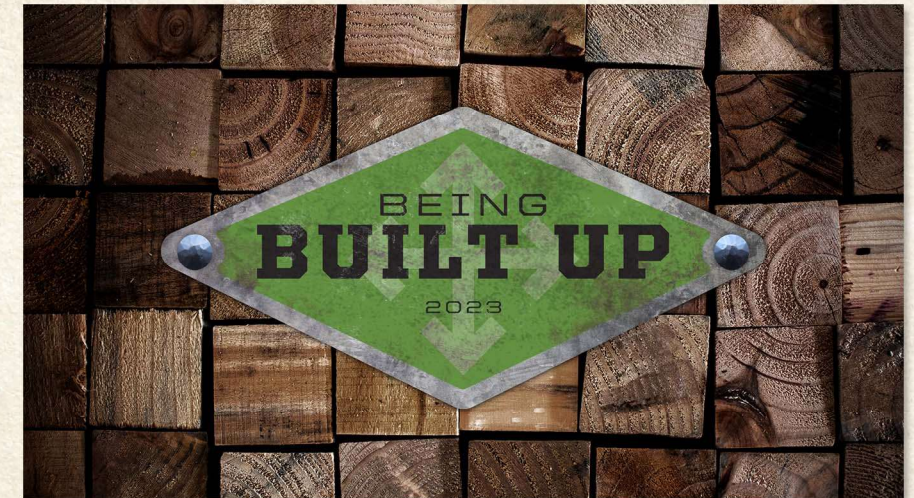
Read **John 15.4, 5**, as well as **Colossians 2.6, 7**. After this, take out "Build Your Trellis" handout from the sermon. Share what is *currently* a part of your trellis (even if it's weak or not very good yet!). Then share what you would *like* to commit to add to your trellis. Are there any of these trellis pieces that can be done with others in the group?

Your Life Mission

You are called to abide in the Vine, and this should always be our number one priority. Building a trellis is an important means to encourage vibrant Vine growth. And when we, the branches, bear fruit from that abiding, fruit is enjoyed by the world around us. What relationships are you praying for that the fruit you produce may result in deeper Gospel conversations? Ask your group to pray for those relationships in your life.

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

- **Preaching the Gospel to Yourself** (Matthew 6.9, 10)
 - Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.
- **Repent and Confess** (Matthew 6.12)
 - Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.
- **Ask for Provision** (Matthew 6.11-13)
 - Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- **Yield with Thanksgiving** (Matthew 6.10)
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.



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