## **COMMUNITY GROUP NEWS**

The week of March 19th

No Community Groups this week. The Spring Session will begin the week of Sunday, March 26th.

**Membership.** We would like to encourage all CG participants to compete the membership class throughout the month of April if they have yet to do so. See the green bulletin insert for more information.

**<u>CG Testimonial.</u>** A note from one person regarding his community group:

"At one point during our Community Group dinner tonight, I looked at all the bodies crammed around our dining room table – some sitting, some standing.

It was quite a sight. Everyone was eating. Children were asking for more food – some with words, some with grunts – or offering commentary on the food they had.

Adults – younger, older, newly married, older married, with kids, without kids – were engaged in multiple conversations about life, ministry, family, and God.

As I looked on the chaotic dinner that was taking place, there was nothing calm about it. It was busy, messy, noisy. It was GREAT!

I thought, 'We are sharing life. We are sharing triumphs and struggles – perfectly imperfect, waiting for the Perfectly Perfect to appear. We are the body of Christ.'

This is what it means to share life. This is what it means to be the **"one anothers"** to one another.

This is what it means to be in **community**."

The Christian life is not meant to be lived alone.

Do you have someone in your life that you can practice the "one-anothers" with?

## Sign-Up Today

Please consider taking an active role in discipleship by committing to a 10-week community group. Look for the salmon colored insert inside your lovable bulletin to sign up today.

## Restoring in a Spirit of Gentleness

Galatians 6:1 Series #25

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "Restoring in a Spirit of Gentleness." All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

- 1. As you read through the Bible you can't help but notice the emphasis God places on what?
- 2. In the Hebrew Scriptures, God established certain laws for His people so there would be what?
- 3. Where in Romans does it say, "we are not under law but under grace"?
- 4. Because we are members of the same body, we have what in relation to one another?
- 5. The Christian life is NOT what?
- 6. Besides the world system and the devil, what do we battle against?
- 7. One of the most difficult aspects of the Christian life is trying to do what?
- 8. Very often, a brother/sister in sin does NOT want to be what?

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- 9. The word "restore" was used to refer to setting a what?
- 10. In Matthew 7, Jesus compared the process of restoration to removing something from where?
- 11. Who is Paul referring to when he says, "you who are spiritual"?
- 12. Is this command of Galatians 6:1 for all believers or only those in leadership?
- 13. When you get involved in seeking to restore a Christian in sin, there is the potential of you being what?
- 14. When trying to restore, we need to be careful to make sure that we don't embrace what kind of attitude?
- 15. What passage is virtually ignored in the church at large?
- 16. Why is Matthew 18:15-20 virtually ignored in the church?
- 17. We have no right to call Jesus Lord if we are not willing to do what?
- 18. When we fail to re-enforce our teaching with actions, we give the impression that the Bible is what?
- 19. Whenever the Bible addresses a subject for the first time, theologians call that passage a what?
- 20. If you want to see what the Bible says about marriage, where do you start your study?
- 21. Matthew 18's emphasis has been on childlike what?
- 22. How many commands are found in Matthew 18:15-17?

- 23. Any sin that we commit is a sin against God and who?
- 24. We don't live the Christian life in what way?
- 25. If your fellow believer sins, you are to do what?
- 26. Have you ever used one of the excuses that Bryan lists, to not obey Jesus and confront a brother/sister who is in sin?
- 27. The goal in confrontation is what?
- 28. The 15 verses after Matthew 18:15-17 deal with what?
- 29. What if there is no indication of true, biblical repentance?
- 30. Is step three redemptive or punitive?
- 31. Jesus mentioned two groups in verse 17. To the disciples, these two groups were what?
- 32. After the third step, what if there is still no indication of repentance?
- 33. What other passage sheds light on this fourth step in Matthew 18:15-17?
- 34. Paul told the Corinthians that the man won't respond so turn him over to Satan. Put him where?
- 35. According to I Corinthians 5:11-13, how are believers supposed to relate to the person after the fourth step?
- 36. What happened to the man addressed in I Corinthians 5?
- 37. Believer, are you willing to do what Jesus has outlined for us to do? Are you willing to obey Christ and help restore a person?