



Part 2: It's the Small Things...

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Brian and Katie's Small Group Story

How did our small group help us flourish in a nightmare?

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another." – John 13:34-35

Our small group loved us as Christ loved us.

"I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. – John 17:20-21

We experienced being one with our small group.

Two essential steps for you to meaningfully connect in a small group:

1. Clear two hours in your week.
2. Show up.

Next Step

- 1) If you're not in a small group but you'd like to try one, go to the Meeting Place *today* when Grant makes the invitation toward the end of the service.
- 2) If there's room in your current small group, invite a few friends or neighbors to join with you and grow in community.

Small Group Questions

- 1) What has been your previous experience finding a group of close friends (either inside or outside of church)?
- 2) What obstacle have you seen that keeps people from a satisfying community experience? What is one way to overcome that obstacle?
- 3) What does it mean to love one another as Christ loves us? What are some specific ways you've seen this in action?
- 4) Do you know of a situation where a group of people experienced the unity Jesus prayed for in John 17:20-21? Tell us about it.
- 5) How could your small group grow in unity?
- 6) How can we pray for you right now and throughout the week?