



Harvester Groups Living the “One Others” | Group Questions

The Big Idea: The “one others” of the New Testament give us clear guidance on how to develop and maintain good relationships with other believers.

Prepare: As you listen to the lesson presentation, what questions come to your mind?

Discuss*

Ephesians 4:2

- What things typically cause us to be most impatient with the people that we encounter?
- What does it mean to “bear with one another in love”?

Ephesians 4:32

- What types of situations might we feel justified in treating someone unkindly?
- When you think of the word “compassion,” what images or ideas come to mind?
- What are some of the obstacles that hinder us from extending forgiveness to those who have wronged us?

Ephesians 5:21

- When you hear the words “submit” or “submission,” what thoughts and feelings do they evoke in you?
- What are some of the struggles involved in “submitting to one another”? What are some of the benefits?

Tying Them All Together

- How might knowing someone’s story help us “be patient, bearing with one another in love,” “be kind and compassionate to one another,” “forgive each other,” and / or “submit to one another out of reverence for Christ”?

Apply

- Who do you need to be more patient with? Better bear with them in love? Be kinder and more compassionate toward? Forgive? Submit to?
- How much of this person’s (or these people’s) story do you know, and what is keeping you from knowing more about their story?
- Will you commit to spending time daily this week asking God to work through their story to help you better act, feel, and think about them in the ways described in the passages from Ephesians above?
- What can your group do to help support, encourage, and challenge you to explore this?

**Use these questions to guide your discussion. Don’t feel like you have to go through all of them and make sure you take time to talk through any questions and observations from the group.*