

Getting Back to Normal

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I. Introduction

II. What Makes Up the Vineyard DNA?

A. The priority of _____

1. Matthew 22:36-37 (NAS) ³⁶"Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" ³⁷And He said to him, "YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND."
2. Hebrews 10:19-20 (NAS) ¹⁹Therefore, brethren, since we have confidence to enter the holy place by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰by a new and living way which He inaugurated for us through the veil, that is, His flesh.
 - a. In the Old Testament, your _____ of God would be strictly through the _____.
 - b. The Presence of God was contained behind the veil, and _____ could never experience it!
 - c. When Jesus died on the cross, the veil was _____ from top to bottom!
 - d. The " _____ " of God
 - e. That's our _____ when we go to church!
 - f. Psalm 22:3 (KJV) "You inhabit the praises of Your people."
3. Hebrews 10:21-22 (NAS) ²¹And since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²²let us draw near with a sincere heart in full assurance of faith, having our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water.
 - a. It _____ our hearts again toward God, toward hurting people, toward people who are far from God, broken people, etc.
 - b. Worship accomplishes things in our hearts that _____ !
4. Hebrews 10:23-25 (NAS) ²³Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; ²⁴and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.
 - a. Psalm 87:2 (NAS) The LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the other dwelling places of Jacob.
 - b. Without regularly experiencing God's Presence, you will become more and more _____ !
5. "How can I experience more of God's Presence when I come to church?"
 - a. _____ yourself to experience His Presence.
 - i. _____
 - a.) Welcoming _____ to come!
 - b.) For your heart to be ready to _____ from God.
 - c.) For you to be _____ by God that day!
 - b. _____ to get to church _____ !
 - c. When the service begins, _____ on _____ !
 - i. That is a _____ !
 - ii. Sing _____ Him!

B. The importance of _____

1. By learning to live _____ with some other people.
 - a. The community of Jesus is the place where the person you _____ want to be present, is _____ present!

- b. There is no _____ in Jesus without _____ to His Body!
- c. _____ are essential for a strong, healthy, vibrant church!

C. Benefits of Small Groups

- 1. Infinitely _____
- 2. They promote _____
- 3. They help Christians become _____.
 - a. Mark 10:45 (NAS) *"For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many."*

III. Conclusion