

Your Mental Game - Back to the Basics

What Does Community Mean to You?

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To what extent, if any, is community part of your strategy for a strong mental game?

1 Corinthians 11v17 - 12v31

To be human is...

1 Corinthians 11v17, 23-29
17 In the following directives I have no praise for you, for your meetings do more harm than good. 18 In the first place, I hear that when you come together as a church, there are divisions among you, and to some extent I believe it.

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23 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, 24 and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me." 25 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." 26 For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

27 So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. 29 For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

What's Paul's invitation? How might valuing one another change their experience of being human?

Potluck anyone?

1 Corinthians 12v1, 4-7
Now about the gifts of the Spirit, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed....4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit distributes them. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but in all of them and in everyone it is the same God at work. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

Family vs. Household
(Andy Crouch in The Life We're Looking For

"If your FOO is your FOG than your FOG is unhealthy."
_John Townsend

What's Paul's vision for mutuality?

Vocation?

1 Corinthians 12v12, 15-16
12 Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ....15 Now if the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body. 16 And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason stop being part of the body.

A culture not conducive to community?

Acts 2v42
They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

Growing into something we do together?

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