



How To Be Better Together 2.13.22

It is not good for man to be alone. Genesis 2:18

But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far away have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For Jesus himself is our peace, who has made two groups into one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of two, thus making peace, Ephesians 2:14-15

Jesus knew that the hour had come for him to leave this world and go to the Father. Having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end. John 13:1-2

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Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" Acts 1:6

How are we better together?

--We are better together when we LOVE EACH OTHER IN THE MIDST OF CRAZINESS and differences of opinion.

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--We are better together when we are together for the only purpose that will really make any difference in this world.

We are therefore Christ's ambassadors. 2 Corinthians 5:17-19

I made up my mind to forget everything except Jesus Christ and his death on the cross. 1 Corinthians 2:2

--We are better together when we live like the new community that we are.

Talk it Over! For my thoughts and LifeGroup*

It's been a nutty couple of years. How has the past couple of years affected your thoughts on church, coming to church, ministry, and priorities?

Read Acts 1:1-9. Why do you think the disciples were questioning Jesus about restoring the kingdom to Israel? Why was it important to them? How does that relate to today?

What kingdom is God building? How is the church a part of it?

What would you say to a Christ follower who really sees little reason to be part of a community of believers.

Read John 13:34-35, 17:20-26. How can Mariners Church grow in love?

Pray for each other!!

*A LifeGroup is a group of people who are committed to loving each other and growing through times like these. For more information, connect with Pastor Len at len@marinerscc.org