



"CHURCH CLAIM" 09/22/18

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IN A CLUB, PEOPLE MAY TO A SERVICE PROJECT TO FEEL GOOD in the church, PEOPLE SERVE AS A WAY OF LIFE

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The Repeats (required)

Yes, they are the same, but WE change, so <u>please</u> <u>discuss</u> these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- <u>God is ALWAYS working! Sometimes we just need to keep our</u> <u>"antennae up", to be looking for it</u>. Go around your group and share your God Moments of how you have seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another.
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Review (optional)

Use this section only if you want to review for those who were not in the Point

- Have someone explain the Point in their own words.*
- •What object lesson or illustration was used to communicate the Point this week? How did this apply to the Point?*
- •Have someone read or summarize the main Bible passage/story from the Point (see "The References" section).
- How did this Bible passage teach the Point?*

*someone who was in the Point may need to explain this

The Reenergizer (optional) Use this question if you need to get your group talking

• Which would be harder: Using a bicycle as your ONLY form of transportation OR using a stationary bike as THE generator for your house?

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, and more personal, into applying the Point

- What are some things that we, as American Mifflin-Countians, do for pleasure, that others may do as a way of life...or vice-versa?
- Read Acts 2:42-47. As we wrap up the *Church Club* series, go through this passage and identify the 3 Cs of the mc3 process.
- Read Acts 2:44. What does this verse say about the *attitude* of the early church? What do you think that looked like?
- Read Philippians 2:3-5. What was Jesus' attitude? How does His attitude affect the way we are to care for others? Share some examples.
- Read Acts 2:45. Let's be a bit basic for a moment: specifically, <u>who</u> did the early church serve? [Being gracious] what does that look like?
- Read James 2:14-17. When we encounter real, raw needs, why do we find it easier to "wish" well toward others? In what ways does *actually meeting* needs stand out in our society? How can it point to Jesus?
- Read Acts 2:47. In the middle of this verse, what happened to "all of the people" in the area where the church was doing its thing? In what ways can caring for others make Mifflin County glad that we're here?
- Read Galatians 6:9-10. In this passage, how does Paul connect caring and weariness? Why is this a challenge for us?
- Where are <u>you</u> tempted to give up, when it comes to caring/serving? How can we pray for you to carry on?

The References

Main Passage: Acts 2:42-47 (NIV)

They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. <u>All the believers were together and had everything in common</u>. <u>Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need</u>. Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and <u>enjoying the favor of all the people</u>. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved

Philippians 2:3-5 (NLT)

Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. Don't look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. <u>You must have the same attitude that</u> <u>Christ Jesus had</u>.

<u>James 2:14-17 (NLT)</u>

What good is it, dear brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but don't show it by your actions? Can that kind of faith save anyone? Suppose you see a brother or sister who has no food or clothing, and you say, "Good-bye and have a good day; stay warm and eat well" — <u>but</u> <u>then you don't give that person any food or clothing. What good does</u> <u>that do?</u> So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

Galatians 6:9-10 (NIV)

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time <u>we will</u> reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.