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#MC3FAMILYING **MC³**



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We Can Support the Recovering by Join·ing
...Them for the Long Haul

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week (but save your prayer requests for the END of Pr'me)?
[Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series? *[don't spend too much time here this week, since it is a part of the series review on the next page]*

The Reminder (required)

Read this section to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:
We Can Support the Recovering [divorced/widowed] by Join·ing
...Them for the Long Haul
- This Week's Object Lesson:
comparing a sprint to a marathon
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: Galatians 6:2
*Carry each other's burdens,
and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. (NIV)*

The Reflection (required)

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

- The *time* difference between world record 100m sprint and a 26.2mi marathon is $\sim 720\times$! For comparison, choose a number *from something that you know* (\$, time, length, etc.) and multiply it by 720.
- As a church we need to come alongside the recovering [divorced/widowed] and join them, not for a “sprint”, but for the long haul:
 - **Job 2:11-13** and **Rom. 12:15** show us that we are to grieve alongside those who are grieving. Why do we fail to do this?
 - In **1:1-22** of the story of **Ruth** we see Ruth’s willingness to commit to Naomi for the long haul. What are reasons why this a challenge for us today? What real ways can we be invested for the “marathon”?
 - Often we *want* to help those who are recovering, but don’t know *how*. **Jas. 2:14-17** and **1 Jn. 3:16-18** encourage us to *do something*! What are 10 simple things that we can DO for recovering?
- Let’s review the entire *Familiying* series. Read each weekly Point below, then summarize it in your own words. *We Can...*
 - ...*Serve Families by Sup·port·ing ...Them, as the Church*
 - ...*Support Dating Couples by Dem·on·strat·ing ...the Value of Standards*
 - ...*Support Singles by Cel·e·brat·ing ...Them as Greater-Than, Not Less-Than*
 - ...*Support Marriages by En·cour·ag·ing ...Sacrifice Not Selfishness*
 - ...*Support Parents by Help·ing ...Them Prepare Now for Later*
 - ...*Support Children by Bridg·ing ...Their Relationship to Parents*
 - ...*Support the Recovering by Join·ing ...Them for the Long Haul*
- Which week above was the most surprising to you? Why?
- Which week above was the most helpful to you? Why?
- Which week above was the most challenging to you? Why?
- What is one specific thing that you are going to do as a result of this series?
- How can we pray for your family related to this series?