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12/16-Advent
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Sermon notes

A WEEKLY RESOURCE FOR AIDING THE APPLICATION OF THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON AT REDEEMER TO YOUR LIFE.

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

1. Why do you think there is such a connection between fellowship and spiritual growth?
2. When is fellowship a struggle?
3. How has fellowship been a blessing in your life?
4. How are we stronger together as a church than as simply individuals?

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Selected Passages
Pastor Tony Felich

Romans 12:4-5 [4] For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, [5] so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.

"All believers share a common life in Christ, whether or not we recognize it. We are in fellowship with literally thousands of believers from every nation of the world. Although we have never met most of them, yet we are in fellowship with them. We disagree with many of them over various issues of faith and practice, yet we are still members of the same Body. Even though we struggle to like some of them, that does not alter the fact that we share together a common life in Christ. Neither our attitudes nor our actions affect this objective sense of fellowship). We are in fellowship with all other believers, whether we like it or not--or even recognize the fact." - Jerry Bridges

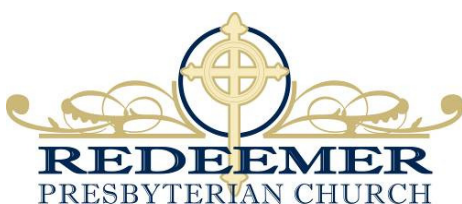
1 Corinthians 12:12-14 [12] For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. [13] For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.[14] For the body does not consist of one member but of many.

Acts 2:44-47 [44] And all who believed were together and had all things in common. [45] And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. [46] And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, [47] praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Hebrews 10:24-25 [24] And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, [25] not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-2, 6, 11 Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2] For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night... [6] So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [11] Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

"We should not...think of our fellowship with other Christians as a spiritual luxury, an optional addition to the exercises of private devotion. We should recognize rather that such fellowship is a spiritual necessity; for God has made us in such a way that our fellowship with himself is fed by our fellowship with fellow-Christians, and requires to be so fed constantly for its own deepening and enrichment." - J.I. Packer



Redeemer Happenings

» **Older Adult Ministry** – Recently the Older Adult Ministry was created. We are still in the planning stages and are soliciting input from individuals. Also, we have our next social event next Saturday, a brunch, **December 15th** at 10:00 AM. The brunch will be at the Perkins on 87th street in Lenexa. For more information, input or questions see Glenn or Marilyn Timmons ([913-602-8526](tel:913-602-8526)).

» **Nathan Clark George Concert, 12/16 -6pm**

» **Christmas Eve Service, 12/24- 7pm**