



Life Group Discussion Guide
Better Together – Ecclesiastes 4

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Main thought: 2 is better than 1 and 3 is better than 2

Outline

1. Two are better than one – they get more done (v. 9)
2. Two are better than one – they lift each other up when down (v. 10)
 - a. Pity the person who doesn't have this
3. Two are better than one – they comfort each other (v. 11)
4. Two are better than one – they defend and protect each other (v. 12)
 - a. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken (v. 12)

Welcome and Fellowship Time (suggested time 10 min)

Open in Prayer

Week in Review (suggested sharing time 5-10 min)

- How did you grow in “greatness” as Jesus defines it this last week?

Discussion Starter (suggested sharing time 5 min)

- Share something that has been a highlight for you this summer.

Sermon Review (suggested time 20 min)

Review Ecclesiastes 4 and discuss the following questions.

- What stood out to you from this passage/message?

- Solomon argues that two are better than one and he gave several reasons for this in Ecclesiastes 4. Which of the observations Solomon made stood out to you and why?

- One of the reasons why we remain independent and choose not work with others is because we don't want to share the credit. How does envy and ego get in the way of the benefits of working together? Who do you know that does a good job of giving and sharing credit when working with others? What difference does this make?

- One of the benefits of community is that we always have someone who can lift us up and someone who we can lift up. There are people who don't have this and Solomon says it's a pity. What are some of the reasons why this happens?



- Verse 11 talks about the benefit of having someone there to bring warmth/comfort to you. What are some of the ways you've experienced warmth and comfort from others? What difference did this make?
- Verse 12 talks about the benefit of being protected and defended. Why is this important? What does it look like for us to protect and defend another?
- Why is it important to remember that a cord of three strands is not quickly broken? What does this mean? Why is it important?

Digging Deeper (suggested time 15 min)

Read the following verses. What do these verses teach us about the benefits of community?

- Proverbs 27:17
- Hebrews 3:12-13
- James 5:16
- Galatians 6:1-2

Application (suggested time 10 minutes)

- Jesus desires to be in community with you. The way to have community with Jesus is to surrender your life to Him, have you done that?
- Which of the benefits of being in community with others do you particularly want to thank God for this week? Why?
- Which of the benefits of being in community do you need to work on this week? What will you do?

Group Prayer Requests: (Suggested Time 10 minutes)

Spend time praying for each other & praying for application of the study in the lives of the group members. (Suggested time 10 minutes)