



Sermon Outline
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**The Value of
Community**
Galatians 6

*** God's best version of you requires**

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Genesis 2:18a - The Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone."

Proverbs 27:17 - As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

Hebrews 10:24 - And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds.

*** Impediments of genuine community:**

1. _____ or inauthentic believers.

1 Corinthians 3:3 - You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans?

2. _____ past experiences.

2 Timothy 1:15 - You know that everyone in the province of Asia has deserted me, including Phygelus and Hermogenes.

** There are no perfect churches. Just organized gatherings of people following Jesus who are not sinless but are committed to sin less and less while representing Christ to the world.*

*** Guidelines for Christ's community of faith:**

1. Be prepared to address _____.

Galatians 6:1 - Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted.

Grace without truth is weak sauce. Truth without grace is hot sauce. Grace and truth is the _____ sauce.

*** There's a danger that if you spot it, you've _____ it.**

Matthew 7:4 - How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye?

2. Be willing to _____.

Galatians 6:2 - Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

Philippians 2:3-4 - Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.

3. Avoid _____.

Galatians 6:3-5 - If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, for each one should carry their own load.

4. Be discerning regarding the _____.

Galatians 6:7-8 - Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life.

5. Be ready to be a _____.

Galatians 6:9-10 - Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will 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.

*** The real test of Christianity is not loving Jesus.**

It's loving _____.