



# groups | DISCUSSION GUIDE

This is Us... Better Together

## WARM UP

**Does the word solitude sound like paradise or torture to you?**

## SET IT UP

Two of our culture's most prized values are self-reliance and autonomy. We admire people who are "self-made" and who "pulled themselves up by their bootstraps." But the truth is that we only reach our full potential when we live in community with others. The Bible certainly has a lot to say about "me," but it has much more to say about "we." In fact, there are over 100 passages in the Bible where the two words "let us" are used. Let us not give up meeting together, let us encourage one another, let us serve one another. Could it be that the only way to fix "me" is found in "we"?

## CHAT IT UP

1. **Have you ever tried to do something on your own that was supposed to be a team effort? How did it turn out?**
2. **Why do you think God created us with a need for community?**
3. **Think back to when you felt most distant from God. Were you connected with other Christians during that time?**
4. **Think back to when you felt most connected to God. How connected with other Christians were you during that time?**
5. **Read Acts 4:32-35. What in this passage stood out to you?**
6. **How is the current church different from the original church?**
7. **How is the current church similar to the original church?**
8. **What can your group change or start to look more like the original church?**
9. **Why is your answer to number 8 so important?**

## WRAP IT UP

Your first step away from God is a step away from other people. God created us to thrive in community with other Christians. Even within groups, it's possible to drift away from biblical community. We can learn a lot from how the original church acted. Take an honest look at your group and ask yourself how you can look a little more like the original church from Acts.