

## "FORMED FOR GOD'S FAMILY"

(40 Days of Purpose)

**Introduction:**

- First Purpose: Planned for God's \_\_\_\_\_

Hebrews 2:10 (NEV) "God is the one who made all things, and all things are for His glory. He wanted to have many children share His glory..."

- Second Purpose: You were formed for God's \_\_\_\_\_.

I Peter 2:17 (The Message) " Love your spiritual family."

- Two reasons to love your spiritual family.
  1. Your physical family will \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Your spiritual family will \_\_\_\_\_.

I John 4:21 (TEV) " The person who loves God must also love other believers."

- First purpose in life is \_\_\_\_\_.
- Second purpose in life is \_\_\_\_\_.

**THREE LEVELS OF FELLOWSHIP**

**LEVEL #1....**\_\_\_\_\_ (Choosing to belong)

Ephesians 2:19 (LB) "You are members of God's very own family... and you belong in God's household with every other Christian."

- Being a Christian is a matter of ...
  1. B \_\_\_\_\_
  2. B \_\_\_\_\_.
- A Christian without a church family is an \_\_\_\_\_.

Romans 12:5 (NIV) "In Christ we who are many form one Body and each member belongs to all the others."

- Only in America do we have \_\_\_\_\_ believers.
- Holy Baptism has the power of \_\_\_\_\_.

**LEVEL #2....**\_\_\_\_\_ (Learning to share)

Acts 2:44 (LB) "All the believers met together constantly and shared everything with each other."

- A fundamental lesson for children: learning to \_\_\_\_\_.
- Three examples of Biblical sharing
  1. \_\_\_\_\_

Proverbs 27:17 (TEV) "People learn from one another, just as iron sharpens iron."

- ⇄ Key: nobody knows \_\_\_\_\_!
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_

I Peter 4:9 (NEV) "Open your homes to each other."

- You cannot fellowship in a \_\_\_\_\_.
- Reason for lack of community in neighborhoods: \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_

Galatians 6:2 (LB) "Share each other's troubles and problems."

- Sharing a joy \_\_\_\_\_ it.

- Sharing a problem \_\_\_\_\_ it in half.

Hebrews 10:25 (TEV) "Let us not give up the habit of meeting together. Instead, let us encourage one another..."

**LEVEL # 3...** \_\_\_\_\_ (Doing my part)

I Corinthians 3:9 (TEV) "We are partners working together for God."

- The word "fellowship" in the Greek means \_\_\_\_\_.

Ephesians 4:16 (LB) "The whole Body is fitted together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love."

- Our team is called "God's \_\_\_\_\_".
- Team sacrifice: when everybody walks out, Christians \_\_\_\_\_!

**CONCLUSION:** Two Bible verses to test you.

I John 3:10 (LB) "Anyone who does not love other Christians does not belong to God."

I John 4:20 (LB) "Those who do not love their brothers and sisters whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have never seen."

- Summary:
  1. Choose to \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Learn to \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Do your \_\_\_\_\_.