



Series: ⑦ *Core Values that drive Hope Community Church*

Core Value No. 4 - ***Community: Life is best lived in community***

Text: Acts 2:41-47 (Memory Verse – Hebrews 9:25)

**Introduction:** Webster's dictionary defines community as a unified body of individuals.

### **Discussion Questions**

- Besides your family, what is your earliest recollection of being part of a community?
  
- Consider the following statement. People are only introverts until connected with others who share their likes/interests. Do you agree? Why or why not?
  
- How has your faith affected your willingness to engage with others?

### **Application Questions**

1. In the message, Pastor shared how living in a faith community means we get to worship, serve, weep/rejoice, and grow together. Which of the four is most important to you right now and why?
  
2. In what ways are believers called to serve one another? (Acts 11:27-29 & Gal. 6:1-2)

Why do you believe God asks that our top priority be to one another? (Gal. 6:9-10, 1 John 4:12-13)

Tell of a time when you've seen people in the faith community rally around one of their own.

3. What is more likely to occur when believers are united and truly living in community? (Acts 2:46-47)
  
4. The Apostle Paul was not shy about encouraging believers to deepen their commitment to the body of Christ (See Eph. 5:14-17, 1 Thes. 4:9-10). Which statement below best describes your current connection to the community of believers at HopeCC?
  - (1) I am loosely connected and have not really become a part of the community, but need to
  - (2) I am totally connected and feel blessed
  - (3) I feel drawn to connect more but fear rejection
  - (4) I need to disconnect from some unhealthy communities outside the church
  - (5) I need to become a covenant member of Hope and start connecting more
  - (6) I feel drawn to better connect with the outside community (Non-Christians who need Jesus).

**Prayer** - Praise God for all the reasons you are thankful for the community of believers at Hope.