



Fan Or Follower
Followers Belong
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1. **Read Genesis 2:18-22.** Why do you think God created Adam *lonely*? Consider the things that Pastor Josiah talked about in regard to “deliberate limitation” in human design. Why do you think God made us as dependent creatures? Our need for food and water? Our need for shelter? Our need for relationship with Him and other people? *Discuss.*
2. **People Need People.** Have you ever fought against needing other people in your life? Where would you say is the healthy balance between needing community with others, but not taking advantage of others? How have you seen this worked out in Christian Community?
3. **Christian Community is formed *in* the truth of God’s Word.** Why do think it’s so important that belonging an community takes place enveloped by God’s Word? What happens in communities that don’t have Scripture to guide them?
4. **Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-27.** We are all members of one body—the Body of Christ. Have a little fun... which part of the body are you? Toe nail? Elbow? Pancreas? ... How come?
5. **Read Colossians 1:15-18a.** Christ is the Head of His Body, the Church. Can a person be a fan of Jesus—the Head, but not actually have a relationship with Him? How about this: Can you be a fan of the body, but not be a follower of the Head? Or... Can you be a follower of the Body, but not a fan or follower of the Head? *Discuss this with your Journey Group.*
6. **More Valuable?** Do you sometimes look at others in Christ’s body and think that they are *more* valuable to the Body than you are? How come? How have you added value to Christ’s Body? *Use this as an opportunity to encourage one another in your Journey Group.*
7. **Do I belong?** Every person has next steps they can take to grow in this area of belonging. But it takes being intentional. How can YOU deepen your sense of belonging at Southern Lakes Church? *Use this as an opportunity to encourage one another in your Journey Group.*