

WHY WE NEED EACH OTHER
Philippians 2:1-4

“Since we are all one body in Christ, we belong to each other, and each of us needs all the others.”
—Romans 12:5b (NLT)

1. I NEED OTHERS TO **WALK** WITH ME.

“Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in him...”
Colossians 2:6-7 (ESV)

... *“It is not good for man to be alone. ...”*
Genesis 2:18 (NLT)

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

- Community is God’s answer to **loneliness.**

“When you gather..., each one of you be prepared with something useful for all: Sing a hymn, teach a lesson, tell a story, lead a prayer, provide an insight... Take your turn, with no one person taking over. ...and you all learn from each other.”
1 Corinthians 14:26, 30-31 (Message)

“Open your homes to each other without complaining.”
1 Peter 4:9 (TEV)

2. I NEED OTHERS TO **WORK** WITH ME.

“...God made us to do good works, which God planned in advance for us to live our lives doing.”
Ephesians 2:10 (NCV)

“Two people are better than one, because they get more done by working together.”
Ecclesiastes 4:9 (NCV)

- Community is God’s answer to **fatigue.**

3. I NEED OTHERS TO **WATCH OUT** FOR ME.

“Look out for one another's interests, not just for your own.” Philippians. 2:4 (TEV)

“Keep being concerned about each other as the Lord's followers should.”
Hebrews 13:1 (CEV)

- Community is God's answer to **defeat**.

“If one person falls, another can reach out and help. But people who are alone when they fall are in real trouble.” Ecclesiastes 4:10 (NLT)

4. I NEED OTHERS TO **WAIT AND WEEP** WITH ME.

“You should be like one big family, full of sympathy toward each other...” 1 Peter 3:8a (LB)

“If one member suffers, all suffer together.” 1 Corinthians 12:26a (ESV)

- Community is God's answer to **despair**.

“Be happy with those who are happy, weep with those who weep.” Romans 12:15 (TEV)

5. I NEED OTHERS TO **WITNESS** WITH ME.

“Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”
John 13:35 (NLT)

“The Holy Spirit doesn't want you to be afraid of people, but to be wise and strong, and to love them and enjoy being with them.” 2 Timothy 1:7 (LB)

- God's answer to fear is **community**.

“...You are working together and struggling side by side to get others to believe the Good News.”
Philippians 1:27b (CEV)

Memory Verse:

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