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Learning How the Church Connects as a Family

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We connect through Joy

Philippians 2:1-11

So if there is any encouragement in Christ, any comfort from love, any participation in the Spirit, any affection and sympathy, ² complete my joy by being of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. ³ Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. ⁴ Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵ Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus,^[a] ⁶ who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,^[b] ⁷ but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant,^[c] being born in the likeness of men. ⁸ And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰ so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹ and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Our Joy:

You need to be encouraged

You need comfort from love

You need to participate in the life of the Spirit

You need affection and sympathy

The maze of unity

Christ and Joy:

**It may be our response to the weakest person among us
That brings us the greatest joy**

**This is how the cross made sense to Christ
For the Joy set before Him**

Fellowship with Christ brings joy

Fellowship through Joy

Be of the same mind

Have the same love

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit

Be humble in the way you see others

Look to the interests of others as you look to your own

Have the mind of Christ

**We are discouraged. We are encouraged. We are uneasy. We comfort. We forget others.
We love one another. We are divided. We are of one mind. We are ambitious and
conceited. We work for others and are humble. We are self-centered. We care about
others. We need peace. We find joy. We are a crazy mixed up people who need a savior.**

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