



Under Construction | What If I Love Jesus but Struggle with Christians 1/14/2024

Reflect + Discuss

- Are you a person who prefers working independently or in a group? Why?
OR have you ever had a friend or family member make a meal so terrible you couldn't eat it? Did you tell them or pretend that it was fine?
- Do you think of the Church more as a family, as a team, or something else? How do you think that affects how you engage?
- Read Galatians 6:9-10, 1 John 3:1, and Matthew 12:49-50. What kind of picture do these passages give us about what the Church is supposed to look like? In what ways do you see the Church living this out? In what ways do you think we can grow into this call?
- Read Acts 4:32-35. Have you ever been a part of a church or community that lived like this? How might we live this out? What are some of the challenges that make this difficult?
- What are some things that get in the way of us seeing the church as a family? How can we heal and correct that view? What would it take for the Church to function like a healthy family?
- How does seeing the Church as a family change the way we might respond to those who mess up or disappoint us or those who see the world differently than us?
- What are some ways that we can practically show up for one another as a family? Are there ways our group can do that? Are there ways you can do that individually?

Pray

- Pray for the Church to function like a healthy family. If your group came up with ideas for how to do that, pray for those. If there were personal hurts shared, pray for those. Pray also for Blackhawk and for your group specifically to be a place where everyone feels like they belong as a part of the family.

Next Steps

- Check out the [resources page](#) for links to several Bible reading plans and other helpful tools. Explore other opportunities for growth and transformation by checking out [courses](#) for the fall.