

SERMON SERIES: Madness

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Key Line

God created us to be connected to God and each other.

Introduction

Isolation is very real and can come out in many ways. Isolation leads to destruction and we are starving for true community.

Seek the Word

Read Ecclesiastes 4:7-12.

- According to this Scripture, what is meaningless? Someone share what meaningless means in Hebrew. (Description of smoke and/or vapor. Can see it, but not able to grasp it.)
- Why is two better than one?

Read James 1:13-15.

- What can happen when someone is tempted?
- What is the progression of following temptation?
- Could isolating yourself be tempting? Where could isolation lead according to this Scripture?

Read Acts 2:42-47 and 1 Peter 5:8,9.

- This is a picture of the church, what do you notice about relationships? Do you see community or isolation?
- Taking the picture of the church, what would satan like to do to that? (Isolate believers from others.)

Talk About It

- Thinking about yourself. When have you isolated yourself? What was the result of the isolation? What would you do different now?
- Have you experienced community like the church in Acts 2? What is one thing you can do to be more connected to God and others?
- Letting others into your life is an important part of connection, what are barriers to this? What are ways to remove those barriers?

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