



When Ordinary People Connect

Life-Link Study #4

INTRODUCTION

When ordinary people connect extraordinary things happen. One of the things we most easily take for granted is the power of our connections. God can take what is ordinary and makes something extraordinary out of it. This is a blessing that is available to everyone if we look for the God factor in our connections.

Ice Breaker: Everyone enjoys hearing a good love story. How did you meet your wife or husband, boyfriend or girlfriend? If single how did your Mum and Dad meet? (Alternatively, who was involved in your coming to Christ? Tell the story).

Read Acts 4:13-14

Q: Who is divinely connected in this passage of Scripture? What was the result of their divine connection?

Q: Who are the divine connections in your life? What makes them a divine connection?

DIVINE FRUITFULNESS

If we become aware of the divine connections in our lives we can expect great fruitfulness and multiplication from them as a result of God's faithfulness. If we take our divine connections for granted we minimize and limit our life and it can lead to devastation. Together we are better.

Read the following scriptures:

Deuteronomy 32:30, Leviticus 26:8, Ecclesiastes 4:9-12

Q: What these verses are emphasizing? Why do divine connections produce divine fruitfulness?

Q: Share an example from your life where you know you have been able to achieve more and have seen abundant fruitfulness because of a divine connection?

Q: What are some examples of good fruit that comes from divine connections in different areas of our lives? Look at relationships, work, ministry and friendships.

Read Luke 8:29 and the following quote:

"The most terrible poverty is loneliness and the feeling of being unloved" Mother Theresa

Q: What causes disconnections between people?

Q: What stops people from connecting with others?

Q: How do we prevent this from happening?

Q: As a Life-Link Unit or individual is there someone you can reach out to and create a divine connection with?

DIVINE OPPORTUNITY

Connection brings extraordinary opportunity. God takes ordinary people and puts them together to do something extraordinary.

Read Acts 13:2-3

Q: Why do you think God called both Paul **and** Barnabas?

Leaders note: Highlight that Barnabas and Saul had been called to the work together. Key words “Them” and “Sent”. Connection brings extraordinary opportunity.

Q: What have you been called to do, and who you are called to do this with? Share with the group.

Take home personal reflection and challenge: Who are the people in your world that you are taking for granted? Who do you need to reconnect with? What might be stopping you from reconnecting with someone? What connections do you need to make an investment into this week?

Prayer point - Ex:Fund 25 Project

We are glad and most grateful to God that we have finally moved into our new venue. We stretched ourselves and seems like a lot has been done. Whilst this is the position of strength and an achievement, the work has just begun.

In the few weeks to come, we will be building and making our new home habitable for us and everyone who God is bringing to us. Let us thank God for the resources to move this project forward because God is able to make all grace abound towards us.