

GROWTH GROUP

Study Guide

God's Design for the Church

My Story

1. Can you think of a time when you were in charge of creating something from scratch on your own? How did it turn out?

Digging Deeper

2. In Galatians 3:26-29, many aspects of being a Christian are described. What effect does being "in Christ" have on relationships among believers?
3. Read James 1:1-9. What is the lesson in this passage for how we are to relate to others – rich and poor? What two gifts does God give the poor? Why is it important to understand the gifts of the poor?

4. Romans 12:3 cautions us to not think too highly of ourselves, but rather it asks us to have a sober judgement of ourselves. What does this mean? How can we obtain this type of objective lens?

Reflection

5. What are some social and cultural barriers to the unity of Christians in our time? How can you help to bring down these barriers in your own life?
6. How do you feel when your beliefs are contrary to popular belief? What do you do to cope with these differences?

SERMON NOTES

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Taking the Next Step

This week take the time to reflect on your relationship with Christ and your role as a Christian within God's church. Begin to look for ways to fulfill your calling as a vital member of the body of Christ.

Praises / Prayer Requests

