

The True Value of Tables at Severn Run

Week of June 18, 2017

These Digging Deeper questions can be used the week following the Sunday message. You can use these questions for personal growth and development, or as a guide for your family or Connect Group discussions.



Message Recap:

Read Acts 2:42-47

There is something sacred about breaking bread together, sharing good food and genuine conversation with friends. Eating around a table is about more than a meal; it's about connecting. It's about forming easy relationships with other people—because if you miss creating relationships with other people you're missing out on life. Inviting your neighbors or co-workers to share a meal is opening up your life. It's answering the call to relationship with people who either need to be encouraged in their relationship with Jesus, or who need to hear about Jesus for the very first time. Tables is our opportunity to intentionally share relationship with people that are different than us, people who have never experienced community, and people that are deserving of the depth of relationship in community God intended for us. We will be the Church that is known for the way we love one another, the way that we live Jesus by seeing people healed and needs being met, and the way we believe in the awesome God that we serve to do the impossible in our community. Souls will be saved daily because we chose to get back to being the Church on purpose.

Pray

Jesus, I know how important relationships are to you. Impress upon my heart how you want me to be involved in Tables. Do you want me to host? If not, please show me a Table to join. Thank you for this chance to form deeper relationships with others.

Getting Started

- Do you normally sit at a table with others when you eat?
- Share a memory you have of a mealtime with friends or family that really impacted you.

Digging Deeper

1. Why do you think it's important to fellowship with others over a meal?
2. Do you think the people you share a Table with need to all be believers? Why or why not?
3. Jesus did relationship intentionally. He is our example. Who are the people in your life that God is calling you to be more intentional with?
4. Why do you think it's easier to share Jesus through a setting like Tables?
5. Read Acts 2:42-47. How can we continue to be more like the believers from Acts?
6. Share anything else that God has put on your heart about hosting or participating in a Table.

Living Jesus

The earliest followers of Jesus gathered and created community around tables. We are going to do the same thing. Meet some new people, get some old friends and commit to sharing a meal around a table once a week through the summer. Tables is a chance for us to get to the root of who we are called to be as a community of believers. The body of Christ should be passionate about seeing the kingdom of God on earth. The Bible says we can have all the knowledge in the world but if we lack love we have nothing. We're making the focus of our time together on relationship and letting our faith become a natural part of our conversation. We want a movement. Jesus did relationship intentionally. It's up to you to follow that example.

If you are being called to host a table, please go to SevernRun.com/tables and choose the "Start a Table Today" button. If you don't host, please find a table to join at SevernRun.com/tables.