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It is easy to experience a sense of community at a sporting event. We feel an affinity for those who are part of our team and frequently high five or embrace those around us on a big play. It's fun to do life together. The fact is, God created us to be in relationship with others and specifically gave the common purpose to the body of Christ to enjoy.



**LIVING** **in**  
**COMMUNITY**  
THE LORD'S COVENANT LOVE  
2 SAMUEL 23

**Read 2 Samuel 23:13-17 and 2 Samuel 11:1-26**

**Action Points:**

1. Pray for deep Community. . .
2. Pray for humility when dealing with others. . .
3. Experience a deeper amazement with God. . .
4. Who do you have in your personal circle? – Begin to value doing life together. . .
5. God has given you everything you need to live a full life in Him – Live it out!

**Questions**

1. In our heart of hearts we long for relationships – to do life with others. Talk about some of the relationships you enjoy today or have enjoyed. What value is it to you to have close meaningful relationships? Explain
2. David had 39 Mighty Men around him (2 Samuel 23:16A). They were willing to do anything for David and were completely devoted to him. Do you have people around you that are willing to do anything for you (serve you, befriend you, devoted to you)? What does that feel like knowing people are devoted to you? Are you willing to be devoted and return the blessing to someone else?
3. You may be willing to be devoted and sacrifice for someone else but do you have any ulterior motives? Are you looking for what you can get out of the relationship or are you willing to do what it takes to truly serve a relationship in your life? Explain the outcomes – being devoted to someone vs. trying to get something from someone.
4. Unfortunately at times people in the church don't express the appreciation for what you do for them or even worse begin to expect things. How do you guard yourself from the disappointments of other people? Ultimately, who is your motivation for doing things?
5. How is your act of serving others related to an act of worship before God? Explain.
6. The word HESED (def. a sacrificial devotion and a humble commitment to serve one another) is often used in relation to God's devotion to His people. He has given us everything – a covenant Love bestowed to each of us. Have you fully embraced the same devotion to Him? Why or Why not?

**Closing remark:** God gave it all – Our sin lost it all – Christ's shed blood paid it all – That we might have it all...an abundant Life in Him.