



Authentic Community - Nikki Pauli

Hebrews 10:24-25

"24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another..."

Romans 15:7

"Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God."

Galatians 6:1

"Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. 2 Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ."

Read the above scripture together and choose one word from each that stands out to you as you think about "Authentic Community".

Discuss why those words stand out to you.

Icebreaker:

- What is one thing that gave you great joy in 2022?
- If you could choose one word to focus on in 2023, what would it be and why?

Conversation Guide:

- Talk about a time you were around authentic people? What was this experience like?
- Talk about a time that you were vulnerable and it was a positive experience.
- Talk about what keeps you from growing in an authentic community and identify a step you are willing to take to develop more authentic relationships.
- Talk about a relationship that has been an encouragement to you.