

40 DAYS OF PURPOSE

I WAS FORMED FOR GOD'S FAMILY

"It is not good for man to be alone." Genesis 2:18 (NIV)

Why should I connect with others?

- _____ benefits
- _____ benefits
- _____ benefits

"His unchanging plan has always been to adopt us into His own family by bringing us to Himself through Jesus Christ." Ephesians 1:5 (NLT)

My second purpose in life is

4 Essential Components of Fellowship

1. Membership: _____

"So now you... are no longer strangers and foreigners... You are members of God's family." Eph. 2:19 (NLT)

"So in Christ we who are many form one Body, and each member belongs to all the others." Romans 12:5 (NIV)

"For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body-- whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free..." 1 Corinthians 12:13 (NIV)

2. Friendship: _____

"All the believers met together constantly and shared everything with each other." Acts 2:44 (NLT)

• **Our** _____
"As iron sharpens iron, a friend sharpens a friend." Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)

• **Our** _____
"Cheerfully share your home with those who need a meal or a place to stay." 1 Peter 4:9 (NLT)

• **Our** _____
"Share each other's troubles and problems." Galatians 6:2 (NLT)

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another..." Hebrews 10:25 (NIV)

3. Partnership: _____

"We work together as partners who belong to God." 1 Cor. 3:9a (NLT)

"The whole Body is fitted together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole Body is healthy and growing and full of love." Ephesians 4:16 (NLT)

"Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to Me." Matt. 25:40 (NRSV)

4. Kinship: _____

"Be devoted to one another in brotherly love." Romans 12:10 (NIV)

"We know what real love is because Christ gave up His life for us. And so we also ought to give up our lives for our Christian brothers and sisters." 1 John 3:16 (NLT)

"Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are My disciples." John 13:35 (NLT)

"You are all children of God through faith in Christ Jesus." Gal. 3:26 (NLT)

For this week's daily meditations, read days 15-21 in the book *The Purpose Driven Life*.

This week's memory verse: *"So in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to the others" Romans 12:5 (NIV)*