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PASTOR BRAD HOWARD - MAY 1, 2022

SPIRITUAL SURVEY RESULTS (Easter):

TOTAL ATTENDANCE: 2486

B - 287

C - 37

D - 21

"Human beings are social creatures. Without the benefit of another person to "bounce off of," the mind decays; without anything to do, the brain atrophies; and without the ability to see off in the distance, vision fades. Isolation and loss of control breeds anger, anxiety, and hopelessness."

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...A man reaps what he sows. Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

[Galatians 6:7-10 NIV](#)

3 BENEFITS OF BELONGING

1. YOU FLOURISH IN GOD'S FAMILY.

Those who are planted in the house of the LORD Shall flourish in the courts of our God. They shall still bear fruit in old age; They shall be fresh and flourishing,

[Psalms 92:13-14 NKJV](#)

2. YOU FORM CLOSE FRIENDSHIPS.

A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.

[Proverbs 18:24 ESV](#)

Whoever isolates himself seeks his own desire; he breaks out against all sound judgment.

[Proverbs 18:1 ESV](#)

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3. YOU FIND YOUR PLACE.

...You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here . . . God is building a home.
[Ephesians 2:19 MSG](#)

A Father to the fatherless, defender of widows--this is God, whose dwelling is holy. God places the lonely in families; He sets the prisoners free and gives them joy.
[Psalms 68:5-6](#)