



WE ARE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER - PASTOR BRAD HOWARD

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All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord's Supper), and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders. And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper, and shared their meals with great joy and generosity-- all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.

Acts 2:42-47 NLT

1. WE ARE ALL A PART OF A GOD-GIVEN VISION.

Where there is no vision from God, the people run wild, but those who adhere to God's instruction know genuine happiness.

Proverbs 29:18

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know Him better. I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which He has called you, the riches of His glorious inheritance in his holy people and his incomparably great power for us who believe.

Ephesians 1:17-19a NIV

2. WE ARE ALL ON A SPIRITUAL JOURNEY.

OUR PURPOSE:

LAKE SHORE EXISTS TO HELP PEOPLE KNOW GOD, FIND HOPE, DISCOVER PURPOSE AND MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

- KNOW GOD (SUNDAY WORSHIP)
- FIND HOPE (SMALL GROUPS)
- DISCOVER PURPOSE (GROWTH TRACK)
- MAKE A DIFFERENCE (DREAM TEAM)



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HELP - HOPE - HEALING

Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but a dream fulfilled is a tree of life.

Proverbs 13:12 NLT

Hopelessness – is the belief I can't get there from here. There's no bridge to get me to the other side of my troubles. I can't get over my pain, I can't get beyond my loss, beyond my failures and feelings of despair.

Now faith is the substance of things hoped for...

Hebrews 11:1 NKJV

God has planned to give a vision of the full wonder and splendour of his secret plan for the sons of men. And the secret is simply this: Christ in you! Yes, Christ in you... the hope of all glorious things to come.

Colossians 1:26-27 PHILLIPS

3. WE ARE ALL HELPING EACH OTHER GET THERE.

Let us hold on to the hope we say we have and not be changed. We can trust God that He will do what He promised. Let us help each other to love others and to do good. Let us not stay away from church meetings. Some people are doing this all the time. Comfort each other as you see the day of His return coming near.

Hebrews 10:23-25 NLV