

**“The Ugly Truth About
Christian Fellowship”
Spiritual Disciplines for Ordinary People**

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Hebrews 10:25; Colossians 3:1-17

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Define Fellowship:

Two Ugly Truths about Christian Fellowship

1. People are ordinary.
2. The Church is not heaven on earth.

Key Verses Regarding “Fellowship”

Acts 2:42- The early church devoted themselves to fellowship.

1 Corinthians 1:9- We can have fellowship with Jesus Christ.

2 Corinthians 6:14- Light can not have fellowship with darkness.

2 Corinthians 13:14- We can have fellowship with the Holy Spirit.

1 John 1:13- Fellowship is open to others through Jesus Christ.

1 John 1:7- We can have fellowship with one another if we walk in the light of Jesus Christ.

Matthew 20:25-28- Fellowship is related to serving, and serving is related to humility and greatness.

Philippians 2:5-11- Christ saw fit to fellowship with humankind by humbling Himself as a servant.

John 15:12-13- Jesus said sacrifice is the key to loving others.

Matthew 6:14-15- Forgiveness is part of fellowship.

Matthew 18:21-35- Jesus taught on forgiveness.

Luke 6:27- Love your enemies.

Luke 6:37- We are not to judge one another.

Luke 17:3-4- We are to rebuke each other of sin when we see it.

Colossians 3:1-17- Rules for maintaining fellowship.

Galatians 6:9- Do not grow weary of doing good.

Hebrews 10:24- Consider how to spur others on toward good deeds.

Hebrews 10:25- Do not give up meeting together; encourage one another...

Romans 12:18- As far as it is possible, be at peace with everyone.

Prayer Guide

Week of February 24, 2013

As you pray for CBC this week, I want to encourage you to:

1. Use Colossians 3:1-17 as your guide:
 - What is God saying to you as you read this?
 - What does God want you to do as a result of understanding this?

2. Pray for your role at CBC in learning to promote good fellowship:
 - Do you look to give or get from other Christians?
 - Is there anyone I need to forgive?
 - Do I count on God or others to meet my deeper needs?

3. Pray regarding the need for the position of the Pastor of Outreach:
 - That we continue to understand what this “new” position is.
 - That God will supply the resources necessary as we grow and add ministry staff.
 - That God would supply us with wisdom as we listen to His leading through this process.