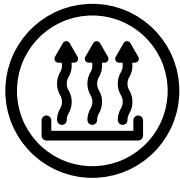




# Mission & Values



## WARM-UP

What is your top love language? (gifts, acts of service, physical touch, quality time, words of affirmation)

### Our Values

Not Earned   Not Threatened   **Not Alone**   Not About Us   Not... Not Fun

### Value #3 - Not Alone:

We grow together because God designed the Christian life to be shared.



What do you like best about this value?



How do you see this value at Hope?



How do you see yourself engaging with this value at Hope or in life?



What makes this value hard? What makes it easy?

### **HEBREWS 10:24-25 (NIV)**

<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, <sup>25</sup> not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

### **GALATIANS 6:2 (NIV)**

<sup>2</sup> Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

### **ACTS 2:42-47 (NIV)**

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

### **ROMANS 12:15 (NIV)**

<sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn.

### **JOHN 13:34-35 (NIV)**

<sup>34</sup> "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."



Where do you see the value of “Not Alone” in these verses?



It is not bad to need some time to recharge alone. That is a pretty universal need! How do you discern the difference between taking some time to be alone and purposefully isolating yourself because it's easier and less scary?



What can we do to keep an eye out for people who are alone in our lives? At Hope?



Is it hard or easy for you to accept help? Why?



The enemy wants to keep us isolated and alone because it's easier for us to believe lies. Looking at your life, what times or circumstances is it easiest for you to believe lies and how might you invite others into those spaces/times?

## DISCUSSION FOR ACCOUNTABILITY



- What is your response to being alone? Good and bad.
- What are things that keep you isolated?
- What is one step you can take this week to move towards community?