

GO  
Part 3: GO TOGETHER  
January 14, 2018

“... go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” Matthew 28:19-20(NIV)

WHY GOING TOGETHER MATTERS

“Jesus went up on a mountainside and called to Him those He wanted, and they came to Him. He appointed twelve that they might be with Him and that He might send them out to preach and to have authority to drive out demons. These are the twelve He appointed: Simon (to whom He gave the name Peter), James son of Zebedee and his brother John (to them He gave the name Boanerges, which means “sons of thunder”), Andrew, Philip, Bartholomew, Matthew, Thomas, James son of Alphaeus, Thaddaeus, Simon the Zealot and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed Him.” Mark 3:13-19 (NLT)

“As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and His brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. “Come, follow Me,’ Jesus said, ‘and I will send you out to fish for people.’ At once they left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and His brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed Him.” Matthew 4:18-22 (NLT)

“The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, ‘Come, follow Me.’ Philip was from Bethsaida, Andrew and Peter’s hometown. Philip went to look for Nathanael and told him, ‘We have found the very person Moses and the prophets wrote about! His name is Jesus ...’” John 1:43-45 (NLT)

- **Jesus INTENTIONALLY created TOGETHERNESS.**

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**TOGETHER DEFINED**

Mutual RELATIONSHIP Of CARE And CONCERN  
Founded Upon CHRIST’S PURPOSE.

1. **GOING TOGETHER HELPS ME GROW SPIRITUALLY.**

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.” Galatians 5:22-23 (NIV)

- **I will not develop the gifts of the Spirit in ISOLATION.**

“In this new life, it doesn’t matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and He lives in all of us. Since God chose you to be the

holy people He loves, you must clothe yourselves with tenderhearted mercy, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience. Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds us all together in perfect harmony." Colossians 3:11-14 (NLT)

**2. GOING TOGETHER HELPS ME LEARN.**

"I myself am convinced, my brothers and sisters, that you yourselves are full of goodness, filled with knowledge and competent to instruct one another." Romans 15:14 (NIV)

**3. GOING TOGETHER GIVES ME COURAGE.**

"Let us hold tightly without wavering to the hope we affirm, for God can be trusted to keep His promise. Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of His return is drawing near." Hebrews 10:23-25 (NLT)

**4. GOING TOGETHER GIVES ME ACCOUNTABILITY.**

"Dear brothers and sisters, if another believer is overcome by some sin, you who are godly should gently and humbly help that person back onto the right path. And be careful not to fall into the same temptation yourself. Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ." Galatians 6:1-2 (NLT)

**5. GOING TOGETHER KEEPS ME FOCUS.**

"You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last ..." John 15:16 (NIV)

**MY NEXT STEP THIS WEEK IS ...**

- I will discover what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ.
  - Check box on back of Communication Card
- I will discover what it means to be a part of the GNG Family by attending CLASS 101 on Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>.
  - Check box on back of Communication Card
- I will GO TOGETHER with the GNG Family through a LIFE Group or TASK Group.
  - To get engaged see back of Communication Card
- I will Grow and Learn by participating in one of GNG's daily Bible reading plans and listening to the weekly Going Deeper Podcast.