



## *Don't forget to stay connected during the week!*

### COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Would you like to serve and discover what God can do in you and through you? We'd love to connect with you. Let us know through your connection card or by speaking with one of our leaders.

### SERVING AT CHURCH

Would you like to serve in an area of the church? We'd love to meet you and help you find a place where you can use your gifts and talents to make an impact in the lives of others.

### GROUPS

We're about to begin a new season of groups at Playas Church! It's an opportunity to connect, grow in our relationship with God, and walk together in community. If you'd like to be part of a group, write it on your Connection Card, and we'll get in touch with you.

### DISCOVER

Are you curious to learn more about what's at the heart of our church and why we do what we do? Discover is a class designed to help you understand who we are, what we believe, and why we do what we do. You'll also learn about our mission, vision, and values, and have the opportunity to take the next step toward membership. Join us on Sunday, September 27, at 12:00 PM.

# Hello!

## *Glad to see you!*





## OUR RELATIONSHIPS

*You're no longer wandering exiles. This kingdom of faith is now your home country. You're no longer strangers or outsiders. You belong here, with as much right to the name Christian as anyone. God is building a home.*

**Ephesians 2:19b-20a (MSG)**

*God said, "It's not good for the Man to be alone; I'll make him a helper, a companion."*

**Genesis 2:18 (MSG)**

*God spoke: "Let us make human beings in our image, make them reflecting our nature..."*

**Genesis 1:26a (MSG)**

**When we engage in real relationships:**

We can live as God **CREATED** us to live.

We can love as Jesus **CALLED** us to love.

*They followed a daily discipline of worship in the Temple followed by meals at home, every meal a celebration, exuberant and joyful, as they praised God. People in general liked what they saw. Every day their number grew as God added those who were saved.*

**Acts 2:46-47 (MSG)**

*Let's see how inventive we can be in encouraging love and helping out, not avoiding worshiping together as some do but spurring each other on, especially as we see the big Day approaching.*

**Hebrews 10:24-25 (MSG)**

We can **BE THE CURE** we're hoping for.

*Watch what God does, and then you do it, like children who learn proper behavior from their parents. Mostly what God does is love you. Keep company with him and learn a life of love. Observe how Christ loved us. His love was not cautious but extravagant. He didn't love in order to get something from us but to give everything of himself to us. Love like that.*

**Ephesians 5:1-2 (MSG)**

## NOTES

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## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. What tends to get in the way of real relationships for you? What makes meaningful connection easier or more difficult in this season of your life?
2. Of the three points in the message, "We can live as God created us to live," "We can love as Jesus called us to love," and "We can be the cure we're hoping for," which one stands out to you most right now? Why?
3. Who is one person you can intentionally notice, encourage, invite, reach out to, or make space for this week?

## RECOMMENDED RESOURCES:

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Life Together, by Dietrich Bonhoeffer



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