

KHG

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

“FORMED FOR GOD’S
FAMILY - FELLOWSHIP”

Week 1. “A Place to Belong”
(WOEAIHF p132-139) - **REVIEW**

Week 2. “Experiencing Life Together”
(WOEAIHF p140-145)



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WEEK 1 REVIEW QUESTIONS

**“While your relationship to Christ is personal, God never intended it to be private.”
(Page 132).**

- Explain how the Christian’s relationship with Christ is personal, but not private.
- Why isn’t it possible to “believe” without “belonging?”
- Compare membership in the “Body of Christ” with the interrelationship of the parts of your physical body?

“The church is a body, not a building; an organism, not an organization.” (Page 133)

- How is the church a body, but not a building?
- How is the church an organism, but not an organization?
- What is the difference between an “organism” and an “organization?”
- Why shouldn't we see the church as an “organization?”

“We need more than the Bible in order to grow; we need other believers. We grow faster and stronger by learning from each other and being accountable to each other.” (Page 136)

- **Why does it take more than just the Bible to grow us spiritually?**
- **How are other believers involved in our spiritual growth?**

**“A church family will help keep you from backsliding.”
(Page 137)**

- **What is meant by the term, “backsliding?”**

- **How can a church family help keep a believer from “backsliding?”**

“The Christian life is more than just commitment to Christ; it includes a commitment to other Christians.” (Page 139)

- **What scriptural evidence exists to support this statement?**

According to the Lord, Jesus Christ Himself, the first Commandment is to love God with all of your being. The second Commandment is to love your neighbor as yourself.

- Can a person really be a Christian who does not love God with all of his heart, soul, mind, and strength?**
- Can a person really be a Christian who does not love his neighbor as himself?**

WEEK 2 DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

“Real fellowship is so much more than just showing up at services. It is *experiencing life together*.” (Page 140).

- Why can't real fellowship occur during a Sunday morning service?
- Why is it that you can worship with a crowd but cannot fellowship with a crowd?
- What is it about Koinonia groups with more than ten participants that makes real fellowship a challenge?

“[E]very Christian needs to be involved in a small group within a church.” (Page 141).

- **Why should every born-again believer be involved in a small group?**
- **Do you believe that the life of the Church is bound up within the Koinonia groups?**

**“In real fellowship people experience authenticity.”
(Page 141).**

- Describe what happens when people trust enough to open up to other members of a small group?
- Why isn't it possible to open up to others in a church setting to the same degree that one may open up within a small group?

**“When circumstances crush us to the point that our faith falters, that’s when we need believing friends the most.”
(Page 143).**

- Can other believers carry you through a severe trial?**
- Have you ever had other believers stand in the gap for you, or stand in faith for you – when you couldn’t stand for yourself?**

“You cannot have fellowship without forgiveness.” (Page 144).

- **Why is forgiveness a prerequisite to real fellowship?**
- **What are your thoughts on Jesus’s warning that we must forgive others who have wronged us if we expect God to forgive us for where we have wronged Him? (Matthew 6:14-15; Mark 11:25-26)**



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