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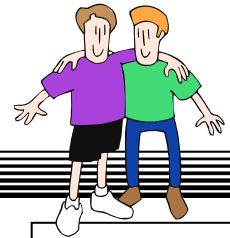
Focal Point Radio Ministries

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# A Closer Relationship with God


## Motivated by Real Christian Friends


part 2



Hebrews 10:24-25  
<sup>24</sup> And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. <sup>25</sup> Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching. (NIV)


1. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.24-25)

 **Seek Out** \_\_\_\_\_


 **...On** \_\_\_\_\_



2. \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.24-25)

 **Get** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.24, 25b)

 **Don't Stop** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.25a)

 **Connect** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.25c)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. List a few key Christians who have helped you to "draw near to God" over the years.

How do you explain their impact on you? What were the ingredients in their efforts toward you that motivated and prompted you to grow spiritually?

2. How well connected are you on the "three levels" Pastor Mike talked about in the sermon? Which is the weakest investment for you and why do you think there has been an aversion to investing in others on that level?
3. List two people (outside of your immediate family) whose spiritual lives you care about. Next to their names write down two things you can do for each of them that might help them to draw near to God this week.

4. What are Satan's tactics that tempt you to isolate? What excuses do you use for not connecting with other Christians?

Write out a prayer of commitment regarding your participation in the lives of others.

## *Read Through the Bible in a Year*

Here's this week's schedule:

**January 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.28-29 & Mt. 14*

**January 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.30-31 & Mt. 15*

**January 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.32-33 & Mt. 16*

**January 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.34-35 & Mt. 17*

**January 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.36-37 & Mt. 18*

**January 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.38-39 & Mt. 19*

**January 20<sup>th</sup>**

*Gen.40-41 & Mt.20*

**January 21<sup>st</sup>**

*Gen.42-43 & Mt.21*

Today's sermon will be recorded and available on CD at the Focal Point Ministry window in the lobby immediately following the conclusion of today's service. Here is a list of other CDs available from past sermons which may assist you in your further study of today's message.

CD # 0426 – **Rethinking Church Habits and Christ's Intentions**

CD # 0022 – **Catalytic Christians: God's Urgent Instructions for Church Attenders**

CD # 0205 – **People Tools: Committed to Communication**

CD # 0206 – **People Tools: Committed to Encouragement**

CD # 0405 – **Zeroing In on God's Task for Me Right Now**

CD # 0406 – **Keeping Myself in Perspective as I Serve God's People**

Here are some resources that will assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in this week's sermon.  
(To see other recommendations by Pastor Mike related to this and other topics go to [www.CompassBooks.org](http://www.CompassBooks.org).)

- Bellah, Robert. **Habits of the Heart: Individualism & Commitment in American Life**. UC Press, 1996. (Reference on culture.)
- Buford, Bob. **Halftime: Changing Your Game Plan from Success to Significance**. Zondervan, 1994.
- Frazee, Randy. **The Connecting Church**. Zondervan, 2001.
- Getz, Gene. **The Measure of a Church**. Gospel Light, 2002.
- Gorman, Julie. **Community That Is Christian**. Victor Books, 1993.
- Guinness, Os. **The Call: Finding and Fulfilling The Central Purpose of Your Life**. Word Publishing, 1998.
- Lloyd-Jones, D. Martyn. **Ephesians 4:1-16. An Exposition on Christian Unity**. Baker Books, 1998.
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- Ryken, Philip Graham, ed. **The Communion of the Saints: Living in Fellowship with People of God**. P & R, 2001.
- Sanders, Oswald. **Spiritual Leadership**. Moody Press, 1980.
- Schaeffer, Francis. **The Church at the End of the Twentieth Century**. Crossway Books, 1994.
- Swindoll, Charles. **Improving Your Serve: The Art of Unselfish Living**. Reprint. Word, 2002.
- Whitney, Donald. **Spiritual Disciplines Within the Church: Participating Fully in the Body of Christ**. Moody, 1996.