



“Going Deeper”

Sermon Series - We Are Family

August 13 - September 17

Below are several ideas of ways to “go deeper” in the “We Are Family” sermon series. These are simply suggestions - feel free to adapt, tweak, or try out other creative ideas as you process the preaching and teaching from Sunday mornings!

Heady - “*love the Lord with all your mind*”

- Read through the book of Acts each day during the series. There are 28 chapters in Acts, so if you read 1 chapter each day you will have more than enough time to work through the entire book!
- Do a Scripture study on the phrases “child of God” and “household of God” tracing these phrases through the New Testaments (we recommend using biblegateway.com to search for biblical passages).
- Buy and read “*When the Church Was a Family: Recapturing Jesus’ Vision for Authentic Christian Community*” by Joseph F. Hellerman.

Hearty - “*love the Lord with all your soul*”

- Read and reflect on the definition of togetherness taken from Rhythm’s Rule of Life:

***Togetherness.** God intends for us to live deeply with one another, to not merely attend Rhythm but to belong. We do this by making room for each other in our lives and striving to walk together in intimacy and authenticity. Our goal is to see ourselves as a family, and to be connected in such a way that we feel the joys and sorrows of one another.*

Journal through these questions and then meet with a spiritual friend to share:

- What jumps out to you about this definition of togetherness?
- What 3 words would you use to describe your connection and belonging to the Rhythm family right now?
- How is God inviting you to go deeper in community?

Handy - “*love the Lord with all your strength*”

- Join a Supper Club and commit to investing in the relationships that grow from that group. Spend time with people outside of the group meeting times, opening up your life to others.
- Serve the Rhythm family on one of the Sunday teams (set-up, tear-down, children, media, hospitality, worship). Being part of a Sunday morning team is a great way to meet people, build relationships, and help our community thrive. Talk with Matt or Chelsea for more information on any of these teams.
- Begin giving financially to God’s work at Rhythm. Set-up recurring giving online (rhythmmiami.com) or give on Sunday morning at worship.