# Our Community

Overview of talk

What our community is?

What makes it unique?

Our role in this community

What we benefit from it.

#### What is our community?

1 "Our Father who art in Heaven" Matthew 6:9

2 "And all who believed were together and had all things in common" Acts 2:44

3 "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them" Matthew 18:20



4 "That there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it" Corinthians 12:25-27

5 "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow" Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 6 "Blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the ungodly, stands in the path of the sinners, nor sits in the seat of the scornful" Psalm 1

7 "He who is not with me is against me, and he who doesn't gather with me, scatters abroad" Matthew 12:30

8 "A righteous man is cautious in friendship" Proverbs 12:26

### Our communities goal

## Earthly goal

9"And to aspire to live quietly and to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we instructed you so that you may walk properly before outsiders and be dependent on none" 1 Thessalonians 4:11-12

10 "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, for God not man" Colossians 3:23

#### Heavenly goals

11" If you are pleased with me, teach me your ways, so I may know you, and continue to find favour with you" Exodus

#### Why are we set apart?

# What is our role in this community?

12 Fulfil my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Do nothing from rivalry or conceit, but in humility count others more significant than yourselves. Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.

Philippians 2:2-16

# The rewards

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13 "You are the salt of the earth, but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything except to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet. You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:13-16



14 "Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude you and revile you and spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son of Man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets." Luke 6:22

15 "And your father who sees in secret will reward you" Matthew 6:18

16 "Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you" Luke 6:38