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**Glorying God through lives changed
by the gospel of Jesus Christ.**

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Family: “1) Our parents birthed us or adopted us – so we belong to them. 2) We are all related and share identity – so we belong to each other. And, 3) We do what families do together – life lived together defined by love.” -GCM Collective

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Ephesians 2:18-19 (ESV)

For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. ¹⁹ So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God

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1 Peter 2:9-10 (ESV)

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. ¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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Ephesians 2: 4-10 (ESV)

But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, ⁵ even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— ⁶ and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, ⁷ so that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.

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Ephesians 2: 4-10 (ESV)

⁸ For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God,
⁹ not a result of works, so that no one may boast.
¹⁰ For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

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As a local church, being an interconnected, interdependent family of believers, we pursue genuine Christian living together. This can be a reality because the gospel affects not just our relationship with God but also our relationships with people: people who know Jesus can be in harmony with others who know Jesus. We are literally brothers and sisters in Christ who need and rely on one another.

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Galatians 6:9-10 (ESV)

And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.

¹⁰ So then, as we have opportunity, let us do good to everyone, and especially to those who are of the household of faith.

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Because we are God's people, saved by the gospel of Jesus Christ:

- **We choose to live as brothers and sisters,**
- **For one another because God is for us,**
- **With sights set on Christlikeness for all**

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1 John 4:19-21 (ESV)

We love because he first loved us. ²⁰ If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. ²¹ And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.

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“The glory of God is displayed in a community where people love one another deeply from the heart, and express it in tangible acts of care.” - Tim Chester, *Gospel Living*

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