



Rock Bridge Small Group Discussion Guide  
We Are Family - Part 2  
LEADER GUIDE

**SMALL GROUP LEADERS: - Remember the C's of Small group health:**

**CONTENT** - *biblical, intentional, and conversational*

**CONSISTENCY** - *regular meetings and interactions with one another*

**CARE** - *sharing life's ups and downs with grace, love and encouragement*

**CELEBRATION** - *celebrating God's grace to us and having fun together*

**COMMISSION** - *participating in what God is doing now during our lifetime on earth*

**CHARACTER** - *as a leader - growing in my example for my group*

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**Ice Breaker:** Choose one to answer in your group

- What was your favorite game to play as a child? Why did you like it?
- What is your favorite team sport/game?

**Into the Word**

Read Ephesians 4:1-6

- a) If we followed Paul's words in verse 2, what challenges (or games) in relationships would be overcome?
- b) Why is unity a sign of the gospel and God's call on our lives?
- c) As a group, respond to this statement: *Unity does not happen; it takes effort and intentionality.* Describe the type of effort and intentionality required to promote unity.
- d) Identify something you are prone to do that might threaten unity in the church.

**Apply the Word:**

a) Which "game" do you tend to play the most in your relationships?

Leader Reminder: *The 5 games covered in the sermon were comparisons, pretension, preferences (v. love), expectations, and cliques.*

b) How does thinking deeply about God's mercy change how you view yourself? And how you view others?

c) As you look ahead this week, how would putting the "mercy rule" into effect change how you relate to someone in your life?

d) During the message, Matt talked about how as a church we have an opportunity to practice heroic hospitality in our worship services. He mentioned speaking to people you do not recognize, using the greeting time more effectively, inviting new people to our homes, and lingering longer after the services to speak to people.

Which one(s) will you seek to practice?

**Prayer Time:**

- Thank God for His mercy.
- *God forgive me for how I sometimes act toward other people. Help me in particular to*

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