



## Better Together

**Preacher:** Site Specific

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### Life Group Discussion Questions:

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there a point or passage that challenged you, confused you or caught your attention?
2. We learned in this sermon that growth is good. If you had to explain this principle to a 12-year-old what reasons would you give. Read the following verses that would be relevant to this discussion. 1 Samuel 2:26; Luke 1:80; Luke 2:40, 52) Why is this principle so hard for us to accept in regards to our spiritual walk? Take turns reading the following verses about growth and discuss them. 2 Corinthians 9:10, Ephesians 4:15, Colossians 1:10, Hebrews 6:1, 1 Peter 2:2, 2 Peter 3:18.
3. Read 2 Chronicles 29:6-9. What were some of the spiritual the needs in Hezekiah's day? What are the greatest needs in the communities around our church sites? What things are you seeing in your community that breaks your heart? Part of the need for Hezekiah was to cleanse the Temple. Read 2 Chronicles 29:16-19. What areas of our lives might we need cleansing from sin? Read 1 Corinthians 3:15, James 5:16, Hebrews 9:14.
4. Have group members share stories of people they have known who continued to grow in Christ. How are these people an inspiration to them?
5. Read 2 Chronicles 29:31-35. Notice how the priests could not keep up with all that was going on in the Temple so the Levities "pitched in." How can we support our pastors and church staff to continue the work of the ministry?
6. Read 2 Chronicles 29:36. Lives changed rather quickly when Hezekiah was king. Have your group imagine what God could do at Grace Church in the next few years if we "consecrated" ourselves to God like Hezekiah and the people did.

**Next Steps:** Hezekiah, the priests and the people were "all in". Come up with one-step your group can take to show that you are "all in."

### Prayer Thought:

- **ADORATION:** praise and worship Jesus for making saving us so that we are the temple of God
- **CONFESSION:** identify and repent of areas of our lives that are keeping us as a church from deeper growth
- **THANKSGIVING:** thank God for His patience with us and for working in us to be more like Christ
- **SUPPLICATION:** ask the Holy Spirit to prepare us for a season of church growth inwardly and outwardly

**Memory Verse:** Galatians 5:9 And let us not grow weary of doing good, for in due season we will reap, if we do not give up.