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BETTER TOGETHER

What are you **holding** onto  
that's **holding** you **back**?



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Let go of the banana  
and run away?

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We all want  
to be **known**  
for something.

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What do you want  
to be **known** for?

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What do you do  
when you don't  
measure up to  
the **imaginary** you.

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The moment  
we start pretending  
we stop growing.

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# GAPS

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We all **want** to be known  
for **something**.

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We all **need** to be known  
by **someone**.

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“These people are for **real.**”

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Once you get **real,**  
you get **known!**

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# REAL CHURCH

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Therefore *confess* your sins to  
each other (*one another*)  
and *pray for* each other (*one another*)  
so that you may be *healed*.

James 5: 16 NIV

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*And (both-and) let us consider  
how we may spur (provoke) one another on  
toward love and good deeds,  
not giving up meeting together,  
as some are in the habit of doing,  
but encouraging (exhorting) one another  
– and (more & more) ...*

Hebrews 10: 24-25 NIV

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*Brothers and sisters,  
if somebody is **caught** in a **sin**,  
you who **live** by the Spirit (**Holy Spirit**)  
should **restore** that person **gently**.  
**Carry** each other's **burdens**,  
and in **this way** (with this model)  
you will fulfill the **law** of Christ (**Jesus**).*

Galatians 6: 1-2 NIV

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*Accept one another, then (therefore),  
just as Christ (Jesus) accepted you, ...*

Romans 15: 7a NIV

*Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving  
each other just as in Christ (Jesus) God forgave you.*

Ephesians 4: 32 NIV

*... and walk in the way of love,  
just as Christ (Jesus) loved us ...*

Ephesians 5: 2a NIV

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**REAL CHURCH =  
ROWS + CIRCLES**

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# BETTER HAPPENS IN A CIRCLE!

*Acceptance with a view to improvement*

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- Real People
- Real Friends
- Real Change

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*“There are things that can **happen in circles**  
that can't happen any other way.  
That's by design.  
You **can't grow** spiritually unless  
you're **connected** relationally.  
God **created us for community.**”*

- Andy Stanley

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