



INTRODUCTION

Two is better than one. We are made for community. There are many activities that would draw us away from others for which we must beware.

INSTRUCTIONS

This guide is meant to facilitate discussion which will lead to a response to God's word. Therefore, please use it as tool that best fits the needs of your community group.

OPENING DISCUSSION

- Read **Ecclesiastes 4:4-16**
- What do you find interesting/compelling/confusing about this passage?
- Why do you think loneliness is a growing issue?

REVIEW

- Recall the various ways to approach work in vv4-6.
- What danger does in expose in vv7-8?
- What is the point from the story in vv13-16?
- Recall the benefits from community & friendship in vv9-12.

APPLICATION

- What experiences have you or someone that you know had regarding loneliness?
- What is your driving motivation in the work force today? Are your motivations breeding contentment or discontentment in your life?
- Are you tempted towards two hands of toil or one hand with peace?
- What do you learn about yourself from the parable in vv7-8?
- Why do we need people in our lives?
- In other words, God could of made us solitary people who do not need community, but chose not to do so. Why?
- Have you found church to be a community? Why or why not?

PRAYER (divide the group based on gender if desired)

- What action/repentance does God want you to take according to the truths of this text?
- Are there any other prayer need

