

# He's With Me: Authentic Community

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## Community:

1. Do you have any friends in your life that have been a part of your life since you were a kid? If you do, why do you think that friendship has lasted so long?
2. What do you think is the most important characteristic of an "authentic community"?

## Core:

1. **Read Psalm 23.** How has God comforted you as you've gone through a "valley"?
2. When you read "I will fear no evil," can you relate to that? Or do you try to take care of things by yourself? Why?
3. **Read John 16:33 and 1 Corinthians 10:13.** Have you seen in your life that God's faithfulness is stronger than your temptation? How has he got you through trials and tribulation?
4. An authentic community is a real, genuine, shared and connected relationship. Do you have this with 1 or more people? Do you have this with Jesus?
5. **Read Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 one verse at a time.** How has each of these verse been proven true in your relationships?

## Challenge:

Scott asked this question a while ago and Jim asked it again this past weekend:  
Who is at your table?

Make a list of who you would say is at your table that can speak truth and wisdom into your life.

If you can't write down any names or you can only add one or two, what steps can you take to pursue that type of authentic community this week?