

## **Biblical Community Outline**

**What is Biblical Community?** Biblical Community is having authentic relationships in the church that lead to spiritual transformation.

### **Foundations of Biblical Community:**

- The Spiritual Unity that we share in Christ transcends our differences. (Ephesians 2:11-22)
- The Love we have received in Christ flows out of us and knits us together. Biblical love is a genuine care for one another that leads us to seek one another's true good, even to the point of self-sacrifice. (John 13:34-35 & I Corinthians 13)

### **Marks of Biblical Community:**

- Speaking the truth in Love to One Another (Ephesians 4:11-16)
- Forgiving One Another (Ephesians 4:31-32)
- Confessing sin & struggles to One Another (James 5:16)
- Helping One Another (Acts 4:32-35)
- Being on Mission with One Another (Acts 1:8)

### **Church Structures that encourage Biblical Community:**

- Meaningful Membership (Acts 20:28-30)
- Community Groups (Acts 2:42-47)
- Corrective Care (Matthew 18:15-20)

### **Results of Biblical Community:**

- The Church experiences growth in spiritual maturity, unity, and joy. (Acts 2:42-47)
- The Lost are drawn to Christ as they see Him through our fellowship! (Acts 2:42-47)