



## Mat Holders

**Main Scripture:** Colossians 2:1-5

**Additional Scriptures:** Hebrews 13:17, Ephesians 3:17-19,  
1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 13:5-7, John 13:34

## Discussion Questions

- All you need is Jesus, but you need help getting to Jesus. We're not good at getting to Jesus on our own. How does community help us to get to Jesus?
- **Read Colossians 2:2.** When you are encouraged, sin looks ridiculous. When you are discouraged, sin gets far more tempting. How do we encourage one another in a way that helps you overcome sin and stay focus on Christ?
- "We are good at inviting Jesus into our heart, but we need to invite people into our heart as well." Why did P. Mike say that? What did he mean by that?
- **Read Colossians 2:2... "Being knit together in love."** Pastor Mike said "I never changed the life of a person I did not like." How do we *really* love people, especially those who are hard to love?
- There are two types of community that you need: official church community (elders/authority) and organic church community (brothers and sisters in the faith). Why is it important to have both in your life? Explain why each is valuable.
- **Read Hebrews 13:17.** Pastor Mike made a specific call for joining the church. What are the benefits and purpose of joining a church? Why should you join a local body?
- **Read John 13:34.** What is new about this command?
  - How do we love like Jesus?
  - How is that different than loving someone as yourself?