



Life-Giving Community

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“And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.” — Hebrews 10:24-25

One of my favorite things to do in autumn is to sit and enjoy a roaring bonfire. There’s a certain magic about enjoying the moment with friends and family.

Community is more just an important part of the Christian life. It’s a vital necessity. Going without the fellowship of other brothers and sisters in the faith is like trying to breathe while covering your mouth and nose — you’re restricting the very things that are meant to give you life. You may be able to hold your own breath for a little while, maybe even longer than most, but inevitably you will need to breathe. That’s why I like the chilly nights of fall. There’s a certain earthly reminder that some nights are just not meant to spend alone.

Who will you deepen community with? How can you comfort and encourage your family of faith, exhorting each other to look more intensely to Christ? Open your home, fire up the grill, or stoke the fire — help increase the joy of living life in community for the glory of God.

