

# Why Teams?

## **Romans 12: 4-5**

“For just as we have many members in one body and the members do not have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another.”

## **God Designed Us to Belong to One Another**

Simply put, we need each other to accomplish the mission God has given us. The mission cannot be done as “Lone Rangers.” Alone, you and I do not have the gifting or ability to accomplish all that is needed to be effective. You have gifts that I do not have. I have abilities that you do not have. Add a few more people to the mix, you discover very quickly that God has provided the needed gift-mix and ability to make a difference in your corner of the world!

It’s a proven fact that teams accomplish more than individuals do. We can work twice as hard and longer hours. But, the team will accomplish more every time. God has given each of us unique gifts and abilities, when combined together, provide opportunities to see eternal life transformation take place. Belonging to a team whose goal is to carry out the mission God has given us to make disciples, a team who sacrificially gives of themselves, producing an outcome that is life changing and eternal, who wouldn’t sign up to be a part of that!

## **John 13: 34-35**

“A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.”

## **Teams are a Witness to the World**

Being a part of a team to accomplish ministry can be difficult. Why? Because it involves relationships. But it’s worth it. The development of meaningful relationships in teams where every member carries a significant sense of belonging is central to what it means to be the church.

Teams provide opportunities for us to express one of the greatest commands Jesus ever gave us, to love one another. As we use our gifts and abilities to accomplish His mission, we are to do it in love. Not only towards those we serve, but to one another. Jesus tells us when we do this that the world takes notice. It’s as if the relationships we have with one another are the criterion the world uses to judge whether our message, the Gospel, is truthful.