

PART 6 — THE CALCULATIONS OF COMMUNITY

ICEBREAKER

- Who is the first person you call when something goes wrong? And if your answer is "your spouse", then who is the next person you would call?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In Ecclesiastes 4:7-12, Solomon writes about a man and his situation. What do you notice about his situation in verse 8? What does he have and what is missing?
2. In verses 9-12, Solomon lists the benefits of having someone with you. Which one stands out to you?
3. Where in your life does something feel unshared right now: work, grief, a decision, a struggle, etc.? (Share only what you feel comfortable sharing.)
4. What makes it hard for you to let others see you when you're the one who needs help up? What would help you take that risk?
5. How can this group be a community where answers aren't just given, but lives are shared? Is there something we should either start/stop doing?

NEXT STEPS

- If loneliness is an unshared life, then find a way to share something with someone this upcoming week.