

# Group Prayer Requests

## One Another-ing Part II

*Prefer One Another*

Romans 12:10 (790)

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### Definition

Prefer: Show...

### Biblical Preferring

Biblical preferring is not about picking \_\_\_\_\_ over someone else but picking someone else over \_\_\_\_\_.

### Preferring Challenges: Preferring one another can be...



Ever since the entrance of sin into this world our default pronoun choice has been \_\_\_\_\_

### Jump-Starting Biblical Preferring

❖ Don't base your preferring on your \_\_\_\_\_.

❖ Remind yourself often that preferring is

\_\_\_\_\_

## Preferring Actions

- ✓ Reach out to \_\_\_\_\_.
- ✓ Invest time in God's people \_\_\_\_\_ of church.
- ✓ Be \_\_\_\_\_ with your daily agenda.
- ✓ Be \_\_\_\_\_ in connecting with people far from God.

## PREFER EACH OTHER APPLICATIONS IDEAS

1. Sit next to someone new to you next week in church and make the effort to get to know them.
2. Don't rush right out of church, talk to someone other than yourself!
3. Identify someone from church and prefer them with a card, an email, a text, a meal, a call or a visit. Yes, it will take time! ☺
4. Attend a church event or serve in a non-Sunday ministry.
5. Pause your daily agenda and identify a specific way to prefer your wife, kids, a co-worker, a fellow student or a teacher and do it! (If you are not sure what to do, you might have to ask). ☺
6. Ask God for opportunities to prefer people in your life who need Jesus. When He gives you these opportunities (and He will), follow through.

## **Discussion Guide**

### Getting Started

*Have group members come up with categories of preferences for other group members to respond to.*

Example: I prefer Winter or Summer, neither

## Read Esther 3:1-6, 6:1-13

- What was Haman so upset about?
- How did Haman's obsession with being preferred come back to haunt him?
- Discuss the potential harmful effects of not preferring each other in our relationships. (Church, family, work, etc.)

## Read Genesis 13:5-16

- How did Abraham prefer Lot?
- How did this work out for Abraham?
- Discuss the potential benefits of preferring each other in our relationships.

## Read Romans 7:15

- Discuss other challenges we face in preferring other people.

- Take the time to discuss the Preferring Actions and brainstorm about more specific ways to apply these actions.