

CONNECT Group study questions for Sept. 30, 2018

Title: “Functional or Dysfunctional”

Read Romans 12:3-8.

1. On Sunday Pastor Peppy’s sermon was centered around whether we as Christians and as a church were functional or dysfunctional. This question encourages us to examine ourselves and the way we interact with the church and those around us.

-What are your initial thoughts about you and our church as it pertains to answering this question?

-In what ways do you think you and the church are functional as defined by the passage?

-In what ways are you and the church dysfunctional?

2. When we take an honest look at ourselves and our church body, we are called to humility. Romans 12:3 tells us that we aren’t to think too highly of ourselves.

-What are some of the ways we fall into the trap of thinking too highly of ourselves?

-What excuses do we make to justify our prideful attitudes?

3. All Christians are members of the body of Christ and group cooperation is the key to the healthy functioning of any body, especially as we work together to know Christ and make him known.

-What does it mean for a church to have unity?

-How can you personally work toward the unity of our church?

-Are there any particular needs within the church that you individually or the group as a whole could help meet?

4. The final point Peppy proposed in his examination of the functionality/dysfunctionality of the church was the active engagement of its members. How can we pursue personal involvement in our church as well as encourage others to be more involved as well?

5. Take some time during this meeting to plan (if you haven’t already) what your service project will be for this year. Begin planning and praying now. The semester will be over before we know it.