

Authentic Community
Part 1
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I. Environment

A. The Seed and the Soil.

Luke 8:4-8, 11-15

“The greatest seed (God’s Word), in the greatest soil (a good and honest heart), cannot thrive in the wrong environment.”

B. Sacrificial love

1. Command

John 13:34-35

2. Example

John 13:34b

3. Practice

Acts 2:42-47

4. History

II. Authenticity

Authentic Community

What is it and how do you get it?

Romans 12:9-13

When the **real you**, meets **real needs**, for the **right reason**, in the **right way**.

1. The real you (v 9)

a. Authenticity (v 9)

*Love w/o hypocrisy - [hü-po-kre'-no-mi] - acting, mask

Acts 4:36-5:11

b. Purity (v 9)

*Abhor what is evil - detest utterly, have horror.

James 4:7

*Cling to good - glued to

1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

“Transformation occurs when the real you shows up in a safe group of people, when truth isn’t just trafficked but the truth is integrated honestly and openly.”

