

# BUILDING GOD'S CHURCH

## Building in Community

I Peter 2:1-3

You cannot be the church in isolation. God calls all of His people to join together in community to bring praise to His name. May we as a church throw out the behaviors that tear down unity in the body. Then may we thirst together for the pure milk of God's Word and the kindness of His salvation as one body.

**Cast off all behaviors that  
\_\_\_\_\_ others  
to \_\_\_\_\_ self**

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**Long for the Word that  
\_\_\_\_\_ you to grow  
and brings the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**

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The Growth Group

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### Getting Started

1. What is the most impressive or grandest or beautiful religious building you have ever visited?
2. What is your favorite food from your hometown?

### Digging Deeper

3. Peter tells us to put off malice and the others sins that go with it. What positive acts of righteousness can we put on to replace malice?
4. Read Hebrews 5:11-14, what is the difference between Hebrews warning to grow into maturity and Peter's call for us to continue to long for the milk of the Word?
5. Read Matthew 5:6, what is the result of being a church who longs for the Word of God?

### Living It Out

6. How should we respond as a church when someone is acting out the behaviors of I Peter 2:1 (see Matt 18:15-20)?
7. Do you have any suggestions on how we can help the members of our church to increase their longing for the Word of God?
8. Tell us a story of how you have experienced the kindness of God in your life.