Hello Summer:
Week 10: We Do Life Together

Introduction

Welcome

- **Greetings to everyone, including guests and online viewers.**
- **Introduction of the church mission: Sharing God's story from Norfolk to the nations.**

Personal Story

- **Share a story about breaking a personal rule and having fun on a Monday to help the TabYouth.**
- **Connect the story to the sermon's core value: "We Do Life Together."**

Core Value: We Do Life Together

Introduction to the Core Value

- **Acknowledge the challenge of believing we can make it through life alone.**
- **Emphasize that sanctification (growth in Jesus Christ) requires community.**

Scriptural Foundation

- **Discuss Acts 2:42-47 as the blueprint for doing life together.**
- **Highlight the devotion of the early church to teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayer.**

Main Points

1. Devotion to the Apostles' Teaching

- **Importance of knowing and applying God's word.**
- **Commitment to Christ deepens through studying Scripture.**

2. Fellowship and Generosity

- **Definition of fellowship (koinonia) and its emphasis on generosity.**
- **Examples of radical generosity in the early church.**
- **Encourage practical applications of generosity in the church today.**

3. Breaking of Bread and Hospitality

- **Significance of hospitality and building relational equity.**
- **Importance of gathering in homes for authentic and joyful fellowship.**
- **Real-life example of hospitality from a mission trip to Chad, Africa.**

4. Prayer

- **Importance of prayer in personal and corporate life.**
- **Prayer as a means of submitting to God's will and fostering unity.**

Practical Applications

Devotion and Commitment

- **Encourage devotion to the core functions of the church.**
- **Distinguish between the functions (essential practices) and forms (methods) of the church.**

Consumerism in the Church

- **Address the issue of consumerism in the modern church.**
- **Challenge the congregation to focus on contributing to the church community.**

Unity in Christ

- **Emphasize Jesus as the cornerstone of the church.**
- **Call for unity and togetherness in Christ.**

Conclusion

Call to Action

- **Reflect on personal contributions to the church's core functions.**
- **Encourage commitment to doing life together as a church family.**

Prayer

- **Pray for devotion to teaching, fellowship, hospitality, and prayer.**
- **Prepare the congregation for communion.**

Communion

- **Introduce Shannon Walker to lead the celebration of communion.**