



## #homedevos 19.2

### CREATED FOR COMMUNITY

#### Part 2

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A quick recap of our last #homedevo:

- God created us to be part of a loving, Godly community.
- We disappointed him by making our own choices, but he forgave and sent Jesus to pay the full price for our sins.
- We are now fully forgiven, fully restored and set free to become the best version of ourselves as we participate in healthy, God-honouring communities.

We also learnt that it is in this kind of community that we are transformed, as we interact with others. We identify some of our weaknesses, ask for God's help, and gradually we begin to grow more and more into the image of Father God. Some of the qualities we need to grow and thrive in the community described above are:

1. Love
  2. Consistency
  3. Genuine care
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**Question:**

What do you understand when you hear the words "love/unconditional love", "consistency" and "genuine care"? (Give every family member to share their understanding and then underline the true meaning of these words.)

1. Love: Unconditional, unwavering love that does everything from a heart of care and appreciation of God's love and the willingness to build, support and encourage family, friends, siblings and other people around you.

2. **Consistency:** You say what you mean and mean what you say. You apply the measure of God's character to each and every situation and you are guided by the Holy Spirit.
3. **Genuine care for others:** Jesus went about the earth caring for different kinds of people—they were his community (Mark 3:7-12) In the same manner, we must care for others and do everything in our power to make them comfortable in our community.



#### **Let's Share:**

Each family member should recount a story where they showed one of the qualities described in a chosen community. It may be at school, church, extended family or even to a sibling at home. Reinforce and encourage kids as they share this story. Also point out the fact that this is God's will/plan and He is pleased when we as his ambassadors carry out his plan. Encourage the child(ren) who may say they have not shown any of these qualities in their communities to share a story where someone else showed them one of the qualities and what it meant to them.



#### **Prayer:**

- Father, thank you for showing us an example of how beautiful community is, through the life Jesus lived on earth.
- Help us to be your ambassadors by following in your footsteps and building Godly communities.
- Help us to show love, consistency and genuine care to everyone in our community.



#### **Action Point:**

Ask the children to choose a quality from the three discussed. Each child must then do a practical demonstration of the chosen quality in a community (school, neighborhood, aftercare)

**Conclusion:**

2 Corinthians 3:18: We are being transformed from one level of glory to another, as we reflect the image of our Father in our communities.