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TITLE: **Beware These 7 Community Relationship Killers**

Life in a community on God's mission is messy. It just is. Lots of relational dynamics come into play... hopes, fears, preferences, etc. Things will get complicated when you have humans working together!

Here are 3 key things to believe and consider about relationships in your community...

1. **The emotional health and maturity of the leaders set the tone and ethos for the group.** How the leaders understand and communicate our true gospel identity—who we are and how we *get to* live as God's family—will shape everything you do and become together. Life in community on mission is messy, but it can be a beautiful mess! Lead with integrity and humility, and let your own redemption show.
2. **Keeping the gospel central in everything, and the way we speak to each other is paramount.** Discipleship (the one and only Mission Jesus gave us) happens as the gospel is spoken into and *experienced* in everyday life. A missional community is much bigger than a traditional small group, Bible study, or fellowship group. It is a family of missionary servants making disciples of Jesus as we move from unbelief to belief in the gospel in all of life, and helping others do the same.
3. **Avoid unspoken expectations by discussing the vision, values, and personal commitment early in the life of your community.** Language creates culture: talk about what you are all hoping for and would like to be able to expect from one another. Your group culture can happen accidentally (not good) or intentionally (good) as you prayerfully discuss how God is leading you together on mission. The choice is yours!

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