

Why SingleSource Exists...

What are the four words at the bottom of the logo? Who can tell me without looking?

Let me share with you why those four words are there...

My story goes like this:

*On October 20th, 2002 my wife of 7 years left me...

-Felt like my life was completely destroyed...not one block was left standing on another...

-I was suicidal...but began to ask myself a question...

-“Who am I?” “At the core of who I am, who am I?”

-An answer began to rise up from within me... “I am a child of God!”

-I began to pray, “Lord please don’t let me go through this pain and stay the same. Change me!”

-That’s when I began to understand what a relationship with God was really supposed to be like!

com·mit = the Source

to give our lives in **trust** or charge to God; we consign our lives to His plan.

Romans 8:28... “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love Him, who have been called according to His purpose.”

*I wish I could say the answers came quickly for me during this time but they didn’t.

-Within a few months after Holly left the Lord gave me Hosea 3:1-2.
(read)

-At every opportunity I was to take the high road. I was to pay a price for her freedom.

-Share about the silver and the barley...

-It was during this time that God gave me a friend. (Dennis)

con·nect = the Connection

to join, link, or fasten together with other single adults of like faith; we unite or bind ourselves together with other believers.

1 Corinthians 12:27... “Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it.”

*One of the things I really struggled with during this time was my involvement at church.

-I had helped to start a church in Durham, NC and was serving on staff there.

-Initially, I stepped down. I needed to mourn and to begin to heal.

-But, after awhile I got back involved.

-I learned what it was to resist the enemy during this time.

-Resist = to continue to do what the Devil is trying to get you to stop doing.

-I also learned that one of the best ways for me to heal was to minister to the hurts of others.

con-trib-ute = the Outlet

to give (money, time, knowledge, assistance, etc.) to the work of God as we discern it's need in our church and community.

Mark 8:35... "For whoever wants to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for me and for the gospel will save it."

*One of the things I really did right during this time was have fun!

-I went skiing, whitewater rafting, took trips with my guy friends and had more pizza and movie nights than I can remember.

-God honored me as I honored Him!

-I laughed, cried, prayed and sat silently with friends and it helped me to get through.

-It was also the avenue in which I met Jodi...

com-mu-ni-ty = Suite Saturday Night and Themed Events like the Masquerade Ball a group of single adults sharing a common faith, similar happenings and concern for others that unites them to find value and meaning in their single adult experience.

Acts 2:44... "All the believers were together and had everything in common."

*So how did the story end?

-Share from Esther chapter 1...

Discussion Questions:

1. How would you describe your commitment to God? Do you really trust him with your life?
2. Have you connected with another Christian in a deeply encouraging, accountable way? If not, what will you do to develop this friendship?
3. Do you find that all your thoughts and actions revolve around yourself? What can you do to contribute to others?
4. Are you doing what you can to make sure you get the Christian fellowship and fun that you need? What are some ways you can satisfy your need for fellowship in a safe way?