



# GET IN THE GAME

## SHARING YOUR STORY

### **You are not Alone: God has Given you His Church**

- What is something that stuck out to you from Lizzie's testimony last Sunday?
  - She came to faith after attending church for a year.
  - When she moved to this area she experienced a lot of loneliness, but then got connected to Fairview.
  - Her personal relationship with Jesus began to grow as a result of her relationship with the church.
  - Now she is the Baptism Coordinator at our church. She works on a team that brings Jesus to people and people to Jesus.
- Everyone Answer:
  - On a scale of 1-10, how important has your relationship with the church been to you?
  - What are some of the aspects that have made it important for you?
  - Like any relationship, there are challenges to be overcome. What have been some of the challenges you've had to overcome in your relationship with the church?
  - What is it about the church that inspired you to get over those issues, if you had any?
- Read Philippians 2:1-4
  - In your own words, what do you think Paul imploring the church to do in this passage?
    - What is the reciprocal nature of what Paul is teaching the church?
    - While Paul's letter is addressed to the church it is implied each person has personal responsibility. In what ways have you tried to live out personally what Paul is calling the church to do?
    - What are some things that you could do better to live out Paul's call to us in this passage?
- Did you know? For the year, our church is currently averaging 15 first time guests per Sunday!
  - Does that surprise you? Why or why not?
  - Many of them will come back and many of them will not. What do you think are some of the deciding factors people have on if they will return to services or not?
  - As a small group, brainstorm ways that your group can proactively welcome newcomers to your group.