

Created For Socializing

Genesis 1:26-28, 3:8-9; Malachi 2:15

Romans 12:4-5; 1 Corinthians 12:12-14;

Ephesians 4:11-16; Colossians 1:15-18;

Revelation 21:1-5

Question: Have you missed socializing?

- The sole purpose of this message is for us to see that we are created to be in fellowship; to socialize with our brothers and sisters in Christ. For the past three months, our government has demanded that we keep our social distance of six feet or more. How has that made you feel? Do you feel like you are a germ to be avoided? Or are afraid to catch a germ and get sick or die?**
- From the beginning, my prayer for us is that we don't live with a spirit of fear, but to trust in the Lord with all our heart. Of course we are to be wise in the way we live in this world, and be respectful of others, but we are still to be a shining example of what faith in our Lord looks like.**

Elohim

- **From mankind's creation, we were created to be in fellowship with our Creator and with our fellow man.**
- **Read Genesis 1:26-28. Why were we created? To be Elohim's children to rule over His creation and to subdue the earth.**

- **Genesis 3:8-9 tells the story of our Creator coming to have fellowship with His created.**
- **Where were they?**
- **What caused the broken fellowship?**
- **Our Lord's heart was obviously broken.**

Malachi explains what Elohim wanted.

- **Malachi 2:15 explains fairly clearly that our Father wanted godly offspring/children.**
- **Why? For what He told us in the Garden. Rule my creation and subdue my earth.**
- **Fill it with godly children who know how I want the earth ruled and subdued.**

New Testament reasons

- **Romans 12:4-5 tells us that Jesus redeems us from the world's body and places us into His body.**
- **1 Corinthians 12:12-27 (12-14) says we are one body which consists of many members. He desires a "oneness."**
- **Ephesians 4:11-16 tells us why Jesus gives the church "office gifts." For growth and maturity!**

- **Colossians 1:15-18** tells us who Jesus is and what He did before time.
- It also reveals His headship over the church and that His desire to have first place in “everything.” That’s you!
- **Revelation 21:1-5** ends Scripture by telling us the story of the restoration of our fellowship with our Creator and Lord.

Closing

- **Sin caused the breaking of fellowship, while it is Jesus who restores fellowship.**
- **Man probably caused this pandemic, so man's sin has caused a breaking of the fellowship of the brethren's meeting in church. It kept us physically apart, but I know it didn't keep us spiritually apart!**
- **I look forward to meeting with you again soon. Be strong in the Lord!**