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<b>TITLE</b>	One Another
<b>SERIES</b>	Jesus invites us to follow Him, and His invitation is for everyone. Following Jesus isn't just obeying a set of rules; His way is much better than that. Learn what it means to "walk this way," and how we can experience change and freedom that will be evident to the world.

**Introduction:** Community is foundational to God's design for humans. He created us with a desire to belong.

1. Read Galatians 5:24-6:10. As you consider today's sermon, which verse stands out to you and why?
2. Read Genesis 2:18. Have you ever considered that there was never any loneliness in God (Father, Son, Holy Spirit)? How do think community is a reflection of God's nature?
3. Pastor David said there are 94 verses in the Bible about one another. Read: Romans 15:14; James 4:11 and Romans 14:3. How would you say these verses, along with other *one another* verses build up and/or tear down community?
4. Pastor David said the church community should be doing the following:
  - Celebrate freedom in Jesus
  - Encourage walking in "a straight line"
  - Guard against legalism or lawlessness
  - Create guardrails
  - Relieve one another's burdens
  - Applaud taking responsibility

Which ones speak to your heart the most and why? Explain how your understanding or perspective of the church community was challenged or clarified by these points?

5. How do you think the cultural mandate to "mind your own business" affects your willingness to act as a guard rail for others? Can you share a time where you disregarded this message and gently confronted someone about an issue? Or, have you experienced the reverse—where someone confronted you?
6. Pastor David said if you are following Jesus and don't feel free, you are likely doing one of the following wrong:
  - Grace
  - Motivated or obligated
  - Struggling to love
  - Area that is closed to Jesus
  - Grippped by a vice

- On the outside of community

Is there an area from the list where you would say you have struggled or are struggling? If it was a past struggle, what helped you through it? If it's a current struggle, what did you get from today's message to help you?

**Conclusion:** Pray together for God to strengthen your small group community and the community at Fairhaven as a whole.