### **NEVER GO ALONE**

# HOW THE MONKS MISSED IT

(1) True religion isn't found in **SOLITUDE**, it's found in **SERVING OTHERS**.

Luke 5:16 James 1:27 Matthew 22:36-40

- (2) Our assignment isn't to **ISOLATE**, it's to **INFILTRATE**.

  Matthew 5:13-16 Matthew 28:18-20 1 Peter 2:11-12
- (3) We aren't **INDEPENDENT** contractors.

  We're **INTER-DEPENDENT** parts of the body of Christ.

  Romans 12:4-5 1 Corinthians 12:12-27

#### THE POWER IN NUMBERS

Why Only An Arrogant Fool Goes It Alone

- (1) Some **DECISIONS** are too **DIFFICULT** to figure out alone. Proverbs 15:22 Proverbs 12:15 Proverbs 15:12
- (2) Some TRIALS are too HARD to bear alone.

  Galatians 6:2-5 Matthew 26:36-38 Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 Matthew 18:20
- (3) Some **TEMPTATIONS** are too strong to **RESIST** alone. Hebrews 10:24-25 John 3:19-21 James 5:16

# THREE THINGS WE ALL NEED FOR THE JOURNEY Proverbs 27:17

- (1) Genuinely KNOWN
- (2) Lovingly SUPPORTED
- (3) Honestly CHALLENGED

## Food for Thought for the week of November 20, 2016

(Questions and Scriptures for further study)

**1.** There are more than 30 "one another" commands in the New Testament that are hard or nearly impossible to fulfill in a large group setting or by yourself. Here are a few of them. After reading each verse below, identify the "one another" command in each one.

John 13:34-35 Romans 12:10

Romans 12:16 Romans 14:13

Romans 15:7 Romans 15:14

Colossians 3:16 James 4:11

Galatians 5:13 Ephesians 4:32

Ephesians 5:21 Colossians 3:9

1 Thessalonians 5:15 Hebrews 3:13

Which one or two of these "one another" commands stands out to you?

**2.** In this weekend's sermon Larry talked about the power in numbers. What do the following verses tell us about the benefits of including other people in our lives?

Proverbs 12:1 Proverbs 12:15

Proverbs 27:5-6 Proverbs 27:17

Proverbs 28:13 Proverbs 22:3

Is there something you want to start doing as a result of reading these passages?



Christmas is coming and we're looking to help meet the needs of those less fortunate in North County. You'll see ornaments throughout our church plaza next weekend, each representing a local need. We're looking for volunteers to help hang ornaments and collect gifts to make this event a huge success. Volunteers are needed every weekend from Nov. 26 through Dec. 11 at every campus and at every service. To sign up, go to <a href="NorthCoastCommunityService.org">NorthCoastCommunityService.org</a> or call Mary Bishop at (760) 330-9234.