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A PLACE FOR
IMPERFECT PEOPLE

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We are here to fulfill the great commission given by Jesus “to make disciples of all nations” (Matt 28:16-20). Therefore, we want to equip every believer to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ, enable them to equip others, and together impact the world and see lives transformed by the power of the Holy Spirit.

We want to be a loving community where anyone can belong. Together we want to spur one another on towards love and good deeds (Heb 10:24-25) and encourage each other to overcome the challenges of life through Christ (John 16:33; 1 John 5:4).

We want to be an intergenerational family of believers that inspires each generation to be fervent followers of Christ (Rom 12:11), empowered by the Holy Spirit to live Jesus wherever we are (Acts 1:8).



Mark 2:15-17

15 While Jesus was having dinner at Levi's house, **many tax collectors and sinners were eating with him** and his disciples, for there were many who followed him. 16 When the teachers of the law who were Pharisees saw him eating with the sinners and tax collectors, they asked his disciples: "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?"

17 On hearing this, Jesus said to them, "It is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners."



A Place for Imperfect People

Psalm 34:18

“The Lord is **close** to the brokenhearted and **saves those** who are crushed in spirit.”

Psalm 73:26

“My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the **strength of my heart** and my portion forever.



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Romans 3:23-24

23 for **all have sinned** and fall short of the glory of God, 24 and **all are justified** freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.



Isaiah 64:6a

All of us have become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous acts are like **filthy rags**;



“Our disappointment is often a result of unmet expectations.”



Ephesians 4:2-4

2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, **bearing with one another in love.** 3 **Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit** through the bond of peace. 4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called.



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2 Corinthians 12:9 NLT

"My grace is all you need. **My power works best in weakness.**" So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me.



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Ephesians 4:31-32

31 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.

32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, **forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.**



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Philippians 3:12-14

12 I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. **But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.** 13 No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, 14 **I press on to reach the end of the race** and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us.

