



### **Part 3: Committing to *hesed* relationships**

Hebrews 10:19-25

#### **I. Questions to consider**

- A. Why is community so vital to our lives in God and our resilience as people?
- B. Why is it so hard for us to have these types of relationships?
- C. How can we press into the types of relationships that give life?

#### **II. Draw near to God’s presence with full assurance because of Jesus. Hold unswervingly to that hope!**

#### **III. Draw near to each other, spur each other on and encourage each other.**

Joy = “seeing that someone is glad to be with me” or “being the sparkle in someone’s eye.” – Jim Wilder, neurotheologian

*Hesed* = “enduring, joyful, loving connection; covenantal love.”  
– Michel Hendricks, *The Other Half of Church*

#### **IV. The “habits” of our culture:**

- Busyness
- Hyper-individualism
- Pseudo-joys

#### **V. Our internal resistance:**

- Shame
- Community wounds

#### **VI. What does this look like?**

- Sacrificially counter cultural
- Characterized by *hesed*