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2019 Mission Possible: Together We Can

- I. We are ALWAYS Better Together. Romans 12:4-5 NLT
 - A. "You need me. I need you." Interdependence is the Bible theme
 - B. We NEED each other. The world NEEDS us.
 1. The BODY of CHRIST is the HOPE of the WORLD.
 2. The CHURCH – the Body of Christ is the physical representation of Christ in the EARTH. Mt 12:21, 1Cor 12:27
 - C. So we from culture, pride, & hurts we carry an attitude "I don't need anybody else, I can do it _____"
- II. 5 Relationships – each of us need
 - A. **People who will walk with you.** Genesis 2:18
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 1. God has an amazing plan for your life that includes working with others. Ecclesiastes 4:9
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C. People who will fight for you. Philippians 2:4

1. We all need people that will defend, protect, and stand by us.
 - a. One way we do that here is in PRAYER! We do a good job about getting people praying when we know about it. Visit FCFTucson.org and submit a prayer request...
 - b. Also good to have people around that let you know when you collar is messed up, food in teeth, your hairs are out of place, or your acting like a jerk.
2. There is an enemy. When attacks come, who fights for you?
3. **Community is God's Answer to defeat!** Ecc 4:12, 10
 - a. Who's got your back? Can you name names? Whose back do you have?
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