

One-Liners . . . That Changed My Life!

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After starting to follow Jesus, I was hungry for more. I read about Christian fellowship but I wasn’t experiencing it. I took a chance and called a new-in-town businessman who seemed open about his faith. My request was simple: ***“I’ve been reading about Christian fellowship—and I’d like to know where I can get some.”***

He didn’t give me a list of books or the name of a pastor. Rather, he began to spend time with me himself. For three years we met together and with others, praying, studying, learning, memorizing scripture, traveling, and sharing our faith. He didn’t teach me about Christian fellowship. *He helped me experience it!*

There are many things in life that cannot be understood intellectually; they must be experienced. One little boy, when asked what his grape sucker tasted like, thought a moment and then said, “Here, have a bite!” And a pastor taught me that no words can convey the fragrance of a flower or the exhilaration of new love. They must be experienced.

And so it is with Christian fellowship. I had known the fellowship of working with others, serving with others in the military or an organization, or playing with others in a sport or game. These are good but not the best. The best comes when we become one with Christ and with other believers. When we come together in Christ, to pray or work or share, we experience *Christian* fellowship!

But it didn’t happen until I humbled myself and asked!

From Grandpa With Love

A Note From the Writer

Moving into my nineties caused me to reminisce. It was eye-opening to realize how much I had been changed by one-liners. I decided some of these might give others a new insight or a chuckle, so—enjoy! You can reproduce this material, provided the copies are complete, including this copyright note, and circulated free of charge. © 2017 Marvin J. Martin