Series: "CONNECT(ED)" Part 2: BUILDING BLOCKS Crossroads Community Church October 29, 2023

Key Truth:

Relationships aren't _____, they're _____.

Building Blocks of Healthy Relationships:

1.

³ Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, ⁴ not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others.⁵ In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus:

Philippians 2:3-5 (NIV)

⁵...All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

⁶ Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. 1 Peter 5:5b-6 (NIV)

Action Step: _____ feedback.

¹⁷ Show proper respect to everyone, love the family of believers, fear God, honor the emperor. ¹⁸ Slaves, in reverent fear of God submit yourselves to your masters, not only to those who are good and considerate, but also to those who are harsh. 1 Peter 2:17-18 (NIV)

2.

¹⁵ But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, 1 Peter 3:15 (NIV)

Action Step: _____

to someone.

3.

¹⁵ For we do not have a high priest who is unable to empathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who has been tempted in every way, just as we are—yet he did not sin. ¹⁶ Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need. Hebrews 4:15-16 (NIV)

Action Step: ______ conversations with a ______.

⁹ Don't repay evil for evil. Don't retaliate with insults when people insult you. Instead, pay them back with a blessing. That is what God has called you to do, and he will grant you his blessing. 1 Peter 3:9 (NLT)

¹⁴ Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

Romans 12:14 (NIV)

²⁴"""The LORD bless you

and keep you;

4.

- ²⁵ the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you;
- ²⁶ the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."'

Numbers 6:24-26 (NIV)



Reflection Questions:

- Which building block is a strength for you?
- Which building block is your weakest?
- Are you selfless or selfish when it comes to relationships?
 What is one way you can move towards being more selfless?
- In which relationships are you more of a blessing and which are you more of a curse?

 $[\]circ~$ In what ways did you not realize you were cursing others?