

# How to have R.E.A.L Relationships

Face it Dude, You're Skewed: Part 2

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(John 15:5; MSG)*

<b>World View</b>	Only be what you want people to see
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**If I am to have R.E.A.L. Relationships, I must...**

## **REMOVE THE FILTERS.**

*"When you pray, don't be like the hypocrites who love to pray publicly on street corners and in the synagogues where everyone can see them. I tell you the truth, that is all the reward they will ever get."  
(Matthew 6:5; NLT)*

**I can remove the filters by:**

- **RECOGNIZING WHO HE IS.**

*"I am the Vine..."*

- **RECOGNIZING WHO I AM.**

*"You are the branches.*

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## **EMBRACE THE SUCK. (EXTERNAL STRUGGLES)**

*"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows. But take heart, because I have overcome the world." (John 16:33; NLT)*

*"A man with many friends can still be ruined, but a true friend sticks closer than a brother."  
(Proverbs 18:24; NET BIBLE)*

## **ACCEPT THE FACT WE ALL HAVE FAULTS. (INTERNAL STRUGGLES)**

*"Make allowance for each other's faults, and forgive anyone who offends you." (Colossians 3:13; NLT)*

*“As the Scriptures say, “No one is righteous--not even one.” (Romans 3:10; NLT)*

## **LOVE LIKE JESUS DOES.**

*“When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them because they were confused and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd.” (Matthew 9:36; NLT)*

*“No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us.” (1 John 4:12; NLT)*

### **Final Thought:**

*If I want to have R.E.A.L. Relationships, vulnerability and intimacy is the start to having authentic community.*