

**The Best Christmas Present is to truly Be Present**  
Being Present opens potential for great relationships!

Will we create great relationships or corrupt great relationships?

Being present to unlock great relationships requires...

**I.** \_\_\_\_\_ ... **18.1-14**

- a. Have you avoided serving others? If so, how?
- b. What specific things can you do to serve others...  
...in the church family?      ...in your biological/adopted family?  
...in your work, neighborhood, or school?
- c. Whom do you know who was once close to God and is now far from God? What can you believe, think, or do in order to be used of God to guide them back to Jesus?

Later today: Read & pray through ...John 1.1-14, Philippians 2.1-11, 1 Peter 5.5-11, James 4.4-10, 1.27, 2.14-17, Acts 4.32-37

**II.** ... \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ ... **18.15-20**

- a. The last time you felt the sting of rejection, did you forgive quickly?
- b. Have you had a chance to speak with a trusted friend about that sense of rejection?
- c. Have you asked others to pray for you to heal from the relational trauma? Will you?
- d. When was the last time you shared a Jesus truth with someone?

Later today: Deut 6.4-6, 10.12-13, Numbers 35.30, Deut 17.6, 19.15, Colossians 1-2

**III.** ... \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ . **18.21-35**

- a. When was a time when someone confronted your sin in a manner that encouraged you to confess your sin? How did they encourage you?
- b. Whom may God be leading you to forgive?
- c. With whom may God be leading you to speak with about sin in their life or about sin in your life?
- d. Get away with God and read and pray through Psalm 51

Later today: Matthew 6.5-15, Matthew 9.1-8, Mark 2.1-12, Colossians 3.13-14

Ask yourself & then ask God... *What ways have I been **creating/corrupting** great relationships?*

Consider memorizing 1 Peter 3.18