

Inside Out
Study Guide Week 4
5 Relationships Every Person Needs

Main Point: We are transformed in the midst of a relationship. Jesus Christ is our most important relationship.

1. As a kid, who did you look up to as a role model?
2. As a Christian, who has had the biggest impact on your faith?
3. Paul & Timothy were partners in ministry, but they also had a mentor/mentee relationship. Do you have a Paul or Timothy in your life, someone who has mentored you in your spiritual walk/growth or someone who you are mentoring?
4. Describe what that relationship is like and why you are invested in it? Paul and Timothy were close and because of their closeness; they were able to learn from each other. “You can inspire, impress and inform from a distance. BUT you are transformed in the midst of a relationship.”
5. Read Philippians 4:8-9. How do you react to reading the eight virtues Paul encourages us to practice? Which virtue do you think would make a difference in your relationships?
6. Read Corinthians 11:1. How was Paul’s challenge to others also a challenge to himself? What does that say to us? How can we keep Christ the focus knowing others are looking to us as examples?
7. Read Acts 4:32-37. What do we learn about Barnabas? Do you have a Barnabas in your life? Why are they so important to you?
8. We have looked at three relationships people need:
 - a. Paul – someone investing in us.
 - b. Timothy – someone we are investing in.
 - c. Barnabas – someone encouraging us.
9. There are two other very important relationships we need to have in our lives. Why do you think these two relationships are important?

- a. A rich young ruler. Read Matthew 19:20-26
- b. A Samaritan woman. Read John 4:13

A relationship with Jesus Christ is the most important. Read John 3:16. Really read it. If you have questions about what it means to be a Christ follower, please don't hesitate to ask your small group leader.

Jesus invited the young ruler and the Samaritan woman to follow Him. One said yes and one said no. The one that said yes is enjoying her eternal heavenly home, with Jesus, right now.

As of March 1, we have 40 days until Easter. Pastor Ken challenged us to invite 5 people to join us for Easter. God has placed people in your life for you to reach and to love. If they respond to your invitation is up to them, but it is up to us to pray and invest.