

Rooted Series
Rooted in Relationships
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Scripture: Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NLT)

Ten Truths about Relationships

#1 Your Life and the Kingdom of God are made up of relationships.

#2 God never intended for us to do life alone, We were created for relationship.

#3 Some of our greatest moments and fondest memories in life are directly tied to relationships with others.

#4 Some of our most painful moments and memories in life are directly tied to relationships with others.

#5 Many times our tendency is to uproot from relationships all together, instead of choosing to plant our relational roots down wisely.

#6 There are different levels and layers of relationships. Some are surface level while some are deep rooted.

We have relational roots within:

- Family life
- Professional life
- Personal life
- Spiritual life

Relationships:

- Challenge us
- Sharpen us

- Encourage us

Scripture: Romans 1:12 (NLT)

Why it's vital to connect relationally:

- Disconnection leads to danger
- Wolves prey on the wayward, the wounded, and the weak.

Five Benefits of Biblically Rooted Relationships:

1. Care

If your not connected relationally, it's hard to be cared for spiritually, emotionally, etc.

Scripture: I. Timothy 5:1-16 (NLT)

2. Challenges

Scripture: Proverbs 27:17 (NLT)

3. Accountability

4. Calling out gifts

Scripture: Romans 12:4-8 (NLT)

5. Cultivates growth

Scripture: Ephesians 4:11-16 (NLT)

A biblical community is what sets us apart from all other types of community.

The goal is discipleship!

Scripture: Matthew 5:21-32; 38-48

#7 Our relationship with God will affect our relationship with others.

#8 Our relationship with others will affect our relationship with God.

#9 There are certain relationships we should stay away from

Scripture: I. Corinthians 5: 1-13 (NLT); I. Corinthians 6:14 (NLT)

#10 Rooted Relationships take three assets

- Desire
- Time
- Energy

Scripture: Acts 2:36-47j (NLT)

Three Relational Values that Connected the Early Church

#1 They believed.

The gospel is the “bridge” that connects sinful man to a Holy God!

#2 They belonged.

The church is the “bridge” that connects believers relationally.

#3 They became.

Growing together spiritually is the “bridge” that connects the Body to the greatest opportunity of living a life of full-devotion to Christ.

The early church was devoted to growing in several key areas:

- The Apostles Teaching
- Fellowship
- Sharing Meals
- Prayer

Anytime you are in relationship with people, you'll eventually come face to face with problems; it's called "growing pains."

Scripture: Acts 6:1-7 (NLT)

In order to grow spiritually you must be connected relationally.

We are better together!