

Recalibrating Our Relationships

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One of the most powerful parts of our relationships with others is the stories we tell ourselves.

Three facts about the stories we tell ourselves:

We see people's actions,
but we don't know their _____.

We see people's behavior,
but we don't know their _____.

We see and hear others
through the lens of how we see _____.

We take hold of every thought and make it obey
Christ. – 2 Corinthians 10:5 (NLV)

“Reframing Our Stories”

Reframe our stories with _____.

We are often wrong!

No one needed to tell (Jesus) about human nature,
for he knew what was in each person's heart.

– John 2:25 (NLT)

Reframe our stories with _____.
The Enemy is at work!

When (Satan) lies, it is consistent with his character;
for he is a liar and the father of lies.

– John 8:44 (NLT)

The thief's purpose is to steal and kill and destroy.

– John 10:10 (NLT)

The Enemy's goals in the stories we tell ourselves:

Division – Resentment – Isolation/Pull Away

God's goal is RECONCILIATION!

If a fellow believer hurts you, go and tell him—work
it out between the two of you. If he listens, you've
made a friend.

– Matthew 18:15 (MSG)

When in doubt, check it out!

Reframe our stories with _____.

Give others what we wish to receive.

Here is a simple, rule-of-thumb guide for behavior:
Ask yourself what you want people to do for you, then
grab the initiative and do it for *them*.

– Matthew 7:12 (MSG)