

Series: Own Your Past, Change Your Future

Message #3: I'm Lonely, How Do I Make Friends?

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Icebreaker:

What are the most important things in your life?

The “sermon in a sentence:”

To build real friendships, tear down some walls.

General Discussion: Read Matthew 22:36-40 [Groups of 4]

1. Jesus says to love God with all of our heart, soul, and mind... With which of these three do you love God the most? Which needs to grow?
2. How does Jesus summarize the essence of the Law and Prophets in the Great Commandment?
3. Can you love God with all your heart without loving others? Why or why not?
4. How does loving your neighbor as yourself connect to building healthy relationships?
5. Think about your daily life. What things compete with prioritizing relationships?
6. How can we practically invest time and energy into our relationships with family, friends, and even those outside our immediate circle?

Gospel-Centered Discussion:

7. Read John 15:14. How does Jesus' eternal relationship with us affect your love for others?
8. What do you think it means to be called “Friend” by Jesus?

Application Prayer:

Re-read #4 above and pray for the person on your right.