

Light It UP!

Part 3: Relationship with Each Other

So why is relationship so dang hard?!

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We were created to know acceptance...
That's why rejection is so painful!

Unconditional Acceptance

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Genesis 2:24-25

²⁴ Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. ²⁵ And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed.



They only knew the security of unconditional acceptance & it's what they offered each other!

The Pain of Rejection

Genesis 3:7-13

- ⁷ Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that **they were naked**. And they sewed fig leaves together and **made themselves loincloths**.
- ⁸ And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife *hid themselves* from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden.

Genesis 3:7-13

⁹ But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" 10 And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." 11 He said, "Who told you that you were naked?" Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" 12 the man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and late."



Genesis 3:7-13

13 then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."



What was the answer to God's question about eating from the tree?

Why do we hide, cover, & blame?

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That's why so many struggle to receive God's love

You can't experience acceptance without honesty

Healing happens when my weakness or shame is met with perfect love & acceptance

A Healing Atmosphere

1 John 4:7-12

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. 8 Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 9 In this the love of God was made manifest among us, that God sent his only Son into the world, so that we might live through him. 10 In this is love, not that we have loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

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11 Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. 12 No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God abides in us and his love is perfected in us.

