

The Irresistible Church Promotes Healthy Relationships

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Scripture Reading: John 1:1-18

Opening

But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name. John 20:31

A. God's very nature e_____ relationship (John 1:1, 32-33; Genesis 1:1,2, 26)

B. God l_____ us into relationship with Him (John 1:12, 14; 3:16)

C. Jesus d_____ healthy relationships

a. Jesus l_____ people into relationship with him (John 1:39, 43)

b. Example of s_____ (John 13:15)

c. Example of u_____ (John 17:23)

d. Example of l_____ (John 13:35)

Rules without a relationship leads to rebellion. Josh McDowell

D. God commissions the church to a_____ healthy relationships

a. To the w_____ (John 1:10-12)

b. Within the c_____ (John 15:12, 17)

c. At _____

i. Core value of "authentic community" (John 13:34-35)

i. Community groups "build Christ like relationships" (John 15:12)

When a church rallies around a common goal, it helps foster a culture of people wanting to be together. Cordeiro, Wayne. The Irresistible Church (p. 73).

E. Are your relationships h_____?

a. Have you s_____ a relationship with God? (John 1:12)

b. Do you have a h_____ relationship with God? (John 15:9-11)

c. Do you p_____ healthy relationships with other disciples? (John 13:34-35)

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Questions for Thought and Discussion

1. Describe the relationship between the Father, Son and Holy Spirit (the Trinity) presented in John 1:1-18?

2. What ways does Jesus demonstrate healthy relationships?

3. How can the ways that Jesus demonstrated healthy relationships (point “C” in the sermon notes) characterize relationships within your group? With people in the church? With colleagues or family?

4. Are your relationships healthy (point “E”)? What can you work on in these areas?
 - a. Have you started a relationship with God?

 - b. Do you have a healthy relationship with God? What can you do to make it better?

 - c. Do you promote healthy relationships with other disciples?