

SERMON / LIFE NOTES

Sermon Notes
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The Core - Connection
Genesis 1-2
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SERMON NOTES

Connection: Life-change happens when people connect through relationships.

1. We were created to connect with God.
Genesis 1:2, 7
2. We were designed to belong to a family.
Genesis 2:18
 - Born into a family.
 - Choose a church.
3. We are sent to connect with our community.
Matthew 5:13
 - Living with the character of Christ.
 - Serving in the love of God.

GETTING STARTED

What is one idea from the message that really stood out to you? Why did this grab your attention?

Pastor Chad stated "we were created to connect with God". When did you first know you were in a relationship with God? What are you doing now to have a better relationship with God?

Pastor Chad said that "all families bless and curse their members". What is one positive thing you learned from your family of origin? What is something you consider a "curse"? (A negative habit or value)? What is a positive value that your family has taught you.

MORE...

Pastor Chad talked about being part of a “Connected Family”. LifeGroups can be an example of a “connected family. What is one way your Lifegroup has "blessed" you?

Read Genesis 2:18

If Adam was perfect in the Garden with God, then why did God say it is not good for you to be alone? Why was that true then and now?

Tell us about someone in your life who made a connection with you and made you think more about a relationship with Jesus. How did they make that connection with you and has that connection grown?

Read Colossians 4:5-6

What do these verses say to you about making connections in our community? Can you tell us about a time when someone spoke to you with the same sensitivity and conduct as is spoken about in verses 5-6?

Verses 5-6 challenge us to speak to others with graciousness. How are you blessing “outsiders” with conduct and speech?

TAKING IT HOME

If we were born to be in a relationship with God, family, church and community then making connections should be a priority in our lives. You have obviously recognized that, as you are in a LifeGroup for some of those same reasons. Can you think of someone around you that should be in a LifeGroup but isn't. Make it a priority this week to talk to someone about LifeGroups and the importance of making connections.

FOLLOW UP/ READING

Day 1 Genesis 1

Day 2 Genesis 2

Day 3 Colossians 4:2-6

Day 4 Matthew 5:13-16

Day 5 James 1:19-27

Day 6 Proverbs 4:20-27

Day 7 2 Corinthians 5:17-21