

You Can Have Healthy Relationships (John 17:1-19)

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(1) When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, (2) since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. (3) And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent.

(4) I glorified you on earth, having accomplished the work that you gave me to do. (5) And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed.

(6) "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. (7) Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. (8) For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. (9) I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. (10) All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them.

(11) And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. (12) While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

(13) But now I am coming to you, and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves. (14) I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. (15) I do not ask that you take them out of the world, but that you keep them from the evil one. (16) They are not of the world, just as I am not of the world. (17) Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. (18) As you sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. (19) And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be sanctified in truth. [John 17:1-19 ESV]

Practical Application

1. You were created to have healthy relationships with God and people.
2. God's design for humanity is that we would have good friendships, workplace relationships, marriages, & families.
3. Most importantly, you can have a healthy relationship with your Creator.
4. All of this comes through God's Son, Jesus Christ.
5. The good news (gospel) is that you can have these wonderful connections now and forever.
6. You can have close, loving, and honest communication with God and people.
7. Prayer is communication and relationship with God; talking to Him, listening to Him, and being with Him.
8. Live a life "looking up" instead of just looking down, around, within, or to others.
9. Jesus prayed for Himself. It is good and healthy to pray for your own needs. Do you pray for yourself?
10. Christianity is about knowing God has Father (Abba).
11. So much of healthy relationships is about timing. Seek to live on God's timetable with your words and actions.
12. Live to glorify God. Live a telescope life, not a microscope life. Help others see how great, good, & holy God is.
13. Jesus Christ has authority over everything. Have you surrendered/yielded to His authority?
14. Eternal life is a gift from God to be received. Eternal life is knowing God and His Son Jesus. Have you received the gift of eternal life? Do you know God?

15. Jesus accomplished the work He was sent to do. Because He did you can be forgiven & live with purpose.
16. You are here to accomplish the work God has given you to do & to point others to the work He has done in Christ.
17. Jesus called the 12 to be His disciples. He showed them the Word (Modeling), shared the word (Evangelism), taught the Word (Teaching), and sent them out to serve the world (Mission and Ministry).
18. This is how we are to make disciples. By showing, sharing, and teaching the Word, and serving the world. SHOW, SHARE, TEACH, & SERVE. Are you a disciple of Jesus? Are you making disciples of Jesus?
19. Christian, you are a gift from the Father to the Son. Do you realize how valuable you are to God?
20. True Christians want to obey God's Word, and they are characterized by growing obedience.
21. Have you received the Word of God? Do you love God's truth?
22. Jesus prays for His people. Jesus is praying for you in a special way, Christian. He is your great intercessor.
23. You should pray for other Christians. Praying for others is one of the best things to do to have healthy relationships.
24. Healthy relationships that are centered around God's Word and prayer have a good foundation.
25. God will protect, keep, guard, defend, and preserve all of His children.
26. All the promises of God's Word will be fulfilled.
27. Knowing and obeying God's Word brings deep and abiding joy to our hearts.
28. Christians are to live in the world but not be of the world. We are to love people, even though some may hate us.
29. God will mature, grow, and sanctify you through His truthful Word.
30. You are to live a consecrated life for God, the maturity, growth, and sanctification of others, and for your own sake.
31. You can have healthy relationships.

Announcements

1. Kids Soccer Camp (June 12-14 from 6-8pm). Kids Art Camp (July 17-20 from 6-8pm). Taco'bout Prayer Family event with teaching, dinner, fellowship, and a movie (June 21st at 6). For more information see Tiffany Vick.
2. Men's Ministry: Will meet on Sunday, June 25. We will be having lunch right after church service and then meeting at Shiloh Sporting Clays on Highway 42 for a CLAY SHOOT. The cost is \$39 for the shooting. The round will last about 2 hours. If you don't have a shotgun, no worries. There are men with extra's and you can also rent one for the day if needed. In addition to a shotgun you will need 100 rounds of ammo. Children that are capable of shooting are also invited. To register contact Brad Vick: 205-396-0153
3. Fall Pumpkin Patch: The next big event will be Sunday, June 11th, as we "plant the seeds." HMC Kids will be planting during the worship hour. HMC youth and adults are invited to plant after service. Come out and join us for a great time of fellowship and a living demonstration of our faith and connection to God!
4. Hope Mountain is working to collect school supplies for the kids of the South Dakota Reservation. Each week we are asking everyone to bring a different item to fill their backpacks. We are working hard to equip these kids with everything they need to have a great school year. This week, June 4th, please bring a 10 count of Crayola markers. Please use this as an opportunity to show your children how God loves the cheerful giver. Let them help shop if you can. We will have a box in the lobby for you to place the items.