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# Eight Irrefutable Biblical Principles of Relationship

#### **Principle 1: CALL**

We are called to be involved in relationship. (2 Corinthians 5:17-21)

### Principle 2: COMMITMENT TO RELATIONSHIP

Reconciliation is built upon the foundation of a committed successful relationship.

(Ruth 1:16-17)

### **Principle 3: INTENTIONALITY**

Intentionality is the purposeful, positive, and planned activity that facilitates relationship.

(Ephesians 2:14-15)

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#### **Principle 4: SINCERITY**

Sincerity is the willingness to be vulnerable, including the self-disclosure of feelings, attitudes, differences, and perceptions, with the goal of resolution and building trust.

(John 15:15)

#### **Principle 5: SENSITIVITY**

Sensitivity is the intentional acquisition of knowledge in order to relate empathetically with those who are different.

(Ephesians 4:15-16)

### Principle 6: SACRIFICE

Sacrifice is the willingness to relinquish an established status or position to genuinely adopt a lesser position in order to facilitate a harmonious relationship. (Philippians 2:3-4)

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#### **Principle 7: EMPOWERMENT**

Empowerment is the use of repentance and forgiveness to create complete freedom and a positive atmosphere in all relationships (2 Corinthians 8:9)

#### **Principle 8: INTERDEPENDENCE**

Interdependence recognizes our differences but realizes that we each offer something that the other person needs, resulting in biblical equality in the relationship.

(Ephesians 5:22-33, 2 Corinthians 8:12-14)

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