

Is This It? Isn't There Something More?
"Is There More To Relationships?"
(Part 2)
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I. What We Experience Relationally Depends On Which Kingdom We Embrace

A. We must reject the relational values of this earthly kingdom

1. Relationships are optional
2. Relationships are disposable
3. Relationships are unattainable
4. Relationships digress
5. Relationships are utilitarian
6. Relationships don't impact success
7. Relationships do not make up this earthly kingdom
8. Relationships are temporary

B. We must embrace the relational values of God's Kingdom

1. Relationships are _____ to our existence
Gen. 1-2
2. Relationships are _____ possessions
Mark 12:29-31
3. Relationships are attainable and required
John 13:34
4. Relationships can grow and improve
Eph. 4:16 "He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love." (NLT)
5. Relationships are _____
Phil. 2:3 "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves." (NLT)
6. Relationships are the _____ for success
7. Relationships make up the Kingdom of God
John 3:16 "For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." (NLT)
8. Relationships are _____

II. What We Experience Relationally Depends On What Path We Walk

I Thess. 2:12 “We pleaded with you, encouraged you, and urged you to live your lives in a way that God would consider worthy. For he called you to share in his Kingdom and glory.” (NLT)

A. God’s Relational Steps To More

1. Practice _____
Eph. 4:32 “Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you.” (NLT)
2. Practice _____
Eph. 4:25 “So stop telling lies. Let us tell our neighbors the truth, for we are all parts of the same body.” (NLT)
3. Practice _____
Col. 4:6 “Let your conversation be gracious and attractive...”(NLT)
Heb. 12:15 “See to it that no one misses the grace of God and that no bitter root grows up to cause trouble and defile many.” (NIV)
4. Practice _____
I Peter 5:5 “... And all of you, serve each other in humility, for “God opposes the proud but favors the humble.” (NLT)
5. Practice _____
Phil. 2:4-5 “Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.” (NLT)

B. God’s Relational Power for More

I Cor. 4:20 “For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power.” (NASB)

1. Relational power begins with a _____ with God
Col. 1:13 “For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son.” (NLT)
2. Relational power is maintained by _____ on God
John 15:5 “Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing.” (NLT)
3. Relational power grows as we continually _____ with God
II Thess. 1:3 “Dear brothers and sisters, we can’t help but thank God for you, because your faith is flourishing and your love for one another is growing.” (NLT)