

How to Build Better Relationships

“The building block of trust”

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Part 2



1. **U** _____

Prov. 16:22 “Understanding is a fountain of life to one who has it...” (NASB)

- Seek to _____ before being _____
James 1:19 “Understand this, my dear brothers and sisters: You must all be quick to listen, slow to speak, and slow to get angry.” (NLT)
- Strive to understand the person not simply their _____
Prov. 12:18 “Thoughtless words can wound as deeply as any sword, but wisely spoken words can heal.” (GNT)

2. **Right** _____

I Thess. 2:3 “So you can see we were not preaching with any deceit or impure motives or trickery.” (NLT)

- Motives that elevate _____ develop trust
Phil. 2:3-4 “Don’t be selfish; don’t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. ⁴ Don’t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.” (NLT)
- Motives that _____ for others develop trust
Phil. 2:5 “You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.” (NLT)

3. **A** _____

Luke 16:10 “If you are faithful in little things, you will be faithful in large ones...” (NLT)

4. **C** _____

Rom. 5:3-4 “We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. ⁴ And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation.” (NLT)

5. **Track** _____

Prov. 22:1 “Choose a good reputation over great riches; being held in high esteem is better than silver or gold.” (NLT)

I Tim. 3:2 “So a church leader must be a man whose life is above reproach. He must be faithful to his wife. He must exercise self-control, live wisely, and have a good reputation.” (NLT)

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Discussion Questions:

1. Discuss your relational history with trusting people. What has caused you to trust some people and not trust others? (No names please.)
2. Take time discussing each of the five ways we can develop trust. Share your personal experiences with these qualities.
3. Which of these qualities do you see where you need to grow in? The area of growth may be different for each kind of relationship. For example, where you need to grow developing trust in your marriage may be very different then your co-workers.
4. Pick one area you are going to be intentional at working on.

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