



## LET'S TALK RELATIONSHIPS Part One: You Need This!

### LIFE IS ALL ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS

We can never be \_\_\_\_\_ apart from relationships.

God said, "Let the earth bring forth grass, the herb that yields seed, and the fruit tree that yields fruit according to its kind, **whose seed is in itself**... and it was so. And the earth brought forth grass, the herb that yields seed according to its kind, and the tree that yields fruit, **whose seed is in itself**... And God saw that **it was good**." Genesis 1:11-12 (NKJV)

God places \_\_\_\_\_ into every living thing.

"So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them. Then God blessed them, and God said to them, **"Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it..."** Gen. 1:27-28

Your potential may never be released apart from relationships.

"He will **turn the hearts** of parents to their children and the hearts of children to their parents, so that I will not come and strike the land with a curse." Malachi 4:6 (NRSV)

"**Go and make disciples of all the nations**, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you..." Matthew 28:19-20 (NLT)

### WE HAVE TO MAKE RELATIONSHIP WORK

"He makes the whole body fit together and unites it through the support of every joint. **As each and every part does its job**, he makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in **love**." Ephesians 4:16 (GWT)



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### THE JOHARI WINDOW

**1. Open Area or Arena:**  
I KNOW AND YOU KNOW

"We felt so strongly about you that we were **determined to share with you** not only the Good News of God but **also our lives**." 1 Thess. 2:8 (GWT)

To connect, open up the \_\_\_\_\_  
side of your life.

**2. Blind spot:** YOU KNOW BUT I DON'T KNOW

**3. Hidden area or mask:** I KNOW BUT YOU DON'T KNOW

"**Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed**." James 5:16 (NLT)

You will always be as sick as your \_\_\_\_\_.

**4. Unknown area:** I DON'T KNOW AND YOU DON'T KNOW

You cannot do life by yourself.

We is always \_\_\_\_\_ than me.

### GATHER, GROW AND GO WITH US IN SMALL GROUPS

**Open Up:** What is your strongest relationship in life? Why is it strong?

**Share Scriptures:** Let different members share a verse or idea from this teaching that impacted them personally. What does it mean for them?

**Talk It Over:** What can we do this week to make our relationships better?

**Pray Together:** Pray that relationships get more authentic, less "masked."