***Relating to the Rest of the Community***

Relating to Families

Relating to Seniors

Relating to Children

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*Next Week: Idolatry, Loneliness & Contentment in the Single Life (Week 4)*

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Core Seminars—*Singleness and Courtship*

**Singleness & Relationships (Week 3)**

**Part 1. Relationships in the Christian Life**

***The Foundation for Christian Relationships: Unity in Christ by Faith***

References: Galatians 3:28; John 17:20.

***The Goal of Christian Relationships: Spurring One Another on to***

***Greater Faith, Love, Self-Sacrifice and Maturity***

References: Hebrews 10:24-25; John 15:12-13; Eph 4:11-13.

“One another” references: John 13:34-35; Romans 12:10; 13:18; 15:7, 14; Ephesians 4:2, 23; 1 Thessalonians 5:11.

***The Nature of Our Christian Relationships: Family-like Relations***

“Do not rebuke an older man harshly, but exhort him as if he were your father. *Treat* younger men as brothers, older women as mothers, and *younger women as sisters*, *with absolute purity*” (I Timothy 5:1-2).

* With care, concern, service and self-sacrifice.
* With interest and knowledge.
* With encouragement to grow spiritually.
* With love.
* With purity.

***The Priority of Our Christian Relationships: Membership in a Local Church***

“We will walk *together* in brotherly love, as becomes the members of a Christian Church, *exercise an affectionate care and watchfulness over each other and faithfully admonish and entreat one another* as occasion may require.”

“We will *rejoice at each other's happiness* and endeavor with tenderness and sympathy to *bear each other's burdens and sorrows*.”

“We will *work together for the continuance of a faithful evangelical ministry* in this church, as we sustain its worship, ordinances, discipline, and doctrines.”

**Part 2. The Single Life in the Context of the Church**

***Relating to Other Same-Sex Single Adults***

***Relating to Opposite-Sex Single Adults***

**The Single Friendship Continuum**

***Promiscuous Biblical Friendship*** ***Paranoid*** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Leading them on 1 Tim 5:1 Fear of rejection

“Interested” Family-like relations Protecting hearts

Flirting Brothers & Sisters in Christ Not Interested