

BUILDING LOVING RELATIONSHIPS – PART IV

“Loving Through Listening”

James 1:19-20

Many people are dying for someone to listen to them. There are people who carry things inside but have no one to confide in and give them a listening ear. Nobody teaches us how to be good listeners. The emphasis in our culture is on being a polished speaker. Today's teaching will point out some of the harmful effects of poor listening in a relationship, then look at some of the dynamics of Jesus' listening skills. What kind of listener are you?

1. LISTENING IS A CRITICAL PART OF A CONVERSATION, James 1:19-20

- A. Be quick to listen
- B. Be slow to speak
- C. Be slow to become angry
- D. Be calm for man's anger doesn't bring righteousness

2. EXAMPLES OF POOR LISTENING SKILLS

- A. _____ the speaker
- B. _____ the speaker
- C. _____ to listen
- D. _____ the conversation
- E. _____ listener
- F. _____ listener
- G. _____ listener

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APPLICATIONS

- Φ Do you see some of these traits in yourself?
- Φ This is not how we _____ people
- Φ We do all the above to the _____

3. WHAT TYPE OF LISTENER WAS JESUS? AN _____ LISTENER

- A. Jesus felt people's pain, Heb 4:15
- B. Jesus used questions to draw things out of people
- C. Jesus addressed the needs of people
- D. Jesus listened to his Father's voice
- E. Jesus commands us to be good listeners

DEFINITION

An empathic listener is one who steps into the shoes of the speaker and sees things from their perspective. This makes the speaker feel respected.

4. EXAMPLES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT SPEAKING TO PEOPLE

- A. The Holy Spirit gives dreams & visions, Acts 2:17
- B. The Holy Spirit spoke to Philip, Acts 8:29
- C. The Holy Spirit called Saul & Barnabas, Acts 13:1-3
- D. The Holy Spirit directed Paul, Acts 16:6-10
- E. The Spirit teaches us, 1 Cor 2:12, 1 John 2:26-27
- F. The Spirit teaches & reminds us, John 14:26

NOTES:

ANSWERS: Ignoring, Interrupting, Pretending, Stealing, Selective, Stoic, Fix You, Love, Holy Spirit, Empathic.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY

Pastor Bruce is continuing his series titled “Building Loving Relationships.” This morning’s teaching will point out the importance of being a good listener in our relationships.

NEXT WEEK

Pastor Bruce will continue his series “Building Loving Relationships” and we will be gathering at the Lord’s table

HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY!

Thursday is the 4th of July. We hope you have a blessed holiday as we celebrate God’s blessing over our country.

TUESDAY ONLINE ZOOM STUDY & PRAYER

Is canceled for the summer and will resume in the fall

PICNIC IN THE PARK AUGUST 4th, 10:30

Hillcrest Church and Roseville City Church are partnering to do a community BBQ. Invite a friend!

ICE CREAM SOCIAL – SEPTEMBER 14, 6:15PM

Join us at Garbolino Park for an ice cream event! Enjoy the fellowship and bring a friend.

ANT INVASION

We have a serious problem with ants in the building. Please make sure all food is put away in containers and all counter tops are wiped off. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Welcome

to

Hillcrest Church

Love, Acceptance & Forgiveness!

For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.

Galatians 5:13

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