

PART 4: RELATIONSHIPS THAT DETERMINE YOUR DESTINY

INTRODUCTION

The Harvest Principle says "You will reap what you sow." The best predictor of your future is to ask, "What am I sowing now?" Because it's impossible to live the right life with the wrong friends it's important to carefully consider the seeds we're planting with our relationships.

BIBLE VERSES

Galatians 6:7; 1 Corinthians 15:33; Proverbs 13:20; Proverbs 14:7; Proverbs 27:17; 1 Samuel 23:16; Hebrews 10:24-25

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What relationships are you sowing right now? What are the relationships you are investing your time and energy into?
- 2. Pastor Will taught that there is a direct correlation between the people you align yourself with and the outcome of your life. How have you experienced this truth in your own life?
- 3. Think about your "inner circle," or the people who are closest to you. In what ways are those relationships pulling you further from God? In what ways are they helping you grow closer to God?
- 4. What is your current criteria for who you allow to be closest to you?
- 5. Pastor Will shared 3 criteria to consider when allowing people into your "inner circle:"
 - People committed to making their choices based on the Bible
 - People who bring out the best in you
 - People who want to help you get closer to God
 How would it affect your relationships to run them through this filter? What other criteria would you add?

MOVING FORWARD

It's so easy to be deceived into thinking that relationships don't influence us. But the question isn't whether your friends influence your life, the question is what kind of influence will they have? It's essential to be intentional in sowing the right relationships in your life. Think about the future God wants for you...What relationships do you need to sow in your life to reap that future?