

PART 3: CHALLENGING FRIENDSHIPS

INTRODUCTION

The oldest human problem, and the first one recorded in the Bible, is isolation. As a society, we're becoming increasingly isolated, insulated, and independent, and it has reached the crisis level. This series will help us learn how to create a culture of life-sustaining relationships, which we all need.

KEY SCRIPTURE

Colossians 3:11-14

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What would happen to your friendship with someone you found out voted differently than you? Could you remain friends with them? Could you love them without judging them? Why?
- 2. Pastor Will taught that there's no growth in your comfort zone, and there's no comfort in your growth zone. Describe a time you've grown because you were willing to leave your comfort zone.
- 3. Read Colossians 3:11. When Christ is our foundational fact–all that matters–how should that change our opinions and feelings?
- 4. Who, or what type of people, offends you the most? What would it take for you to treat them with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience? Why is it so difficult? Would you be willing to leave your comfort zone and love them this week?
- 5. What habit can you begin this week that will help you remember and live like Christ is all that matters?

Application Prayer: Lord Jesus, help me love those you love, that are not like me. Help me to love and accept others as you love and accept me.