

# Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

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## BETTER TOGETHER BELONGING TOGETHER

**Romans 12:4-5 (NLT)** "Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other."

### RELATIONSHIP DESTROYERS AND BUILDERS

#### 1. SELFISHNESS destroys relationships – SELFLESSNESS builds them

**James 4:1-2** "What is causing the quarrels and fights among you? Don't they come from the evil desires at war within you? 2 You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it."

**Galatians 5:16-17** "So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. 17 The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions."

**1 Peter 4:10 (NLT)** "God has given each of you a gift from his great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another."

**Philippians 2:5-8** "You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had. Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form, he humbled himself in obedience to God and died a criminal's death on a cross."

#### 2. PRIDE destroys relationships – HUMILITY builds them

**Proverbs 16:18** "Pride goes before destruction, and haughtiness before a fall."

**1 Peter 3:8 (GOD'S WORD Translation)** "Dedicate Your Lives to Jesus" "Finally, everyone must live in harmony, be sympathetic, love each other, have compassion, and be humble."

**Philippians 2:3-5** "Don't be selfish; don't try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. 4 Don't look out only for your

own interests, but take an interest in others, too. You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had."

### 3. **INSECURITY destroys relationships – LOVE builds them**

**Proverbs 29:25 (NLT)** "Fearing people is a dangerous trap, but trusting the Lord means safety."

**Genesis 3:9-10 (NLT)** "Then the Lord God called to the man, "Where are you?" He replied, "I heard you walking in the garden, so I hid. I was afraid because I was naked."

**John 1:11 (NLT)** "He came to his own people, and even they rejected him."

**Mark 3:20-21** "One time Jesus entered a house, and the crowds began to gather again. Soon he and his disciples couldn't even find time to eat. 21 When his family heard what was happening, they tried to take him away. "He's out of his mind," they said."

**John 7:5** "For even his brothers didn't believe in him."

**1 John 4:16-18** "We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world. Such love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we have not fully experienced his perfect love."

### 4. **RESENTMENT destroys relationships – FORGIVENESS builds them**

**Hebrews 12:15 (NLT)** "Look after each other so that none of you fails to receive the grace of God. Watch out that no poisonous root of bitterness grows up to trouble you, corrupting many."

**Luke 17:3-4 (NLT)** "So watch yourselves! If another believer sins, rebuke that person; then if there is repentance, forgive. 4 Even if that person wrongs you seven times a day and each time turns again and asks forgiveness, you must forgive."

**Ephesians 4:32 (NLT)** "Instead, be kind to each other, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, just as God through Christ has forgiven you."

**Matthew 6:14-15 (NLT)** "If you forgive those who sin against you, your heavenly Father will forgive you. 15 But if you refuse to forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins."