

Make Room In Your Relationships!

Make Room, Pt. 3

Mark 12:30-31, John 13:34-35, 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

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Mark 12:30, Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.' **31** The second is this: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no commandment greater than these."

John 13:34, "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. **35** By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

1 Corinthians 13:4, Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. **5** It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. **6** Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. **7** It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. **8** Love never fails.

2 Corinthians 5:17, Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! **18** All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

Four Thoughts on Relational Reconciliation:

1. Remember That Person Is Deeply Loved BY GOD

Romans 5:8, But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

2. Ask Yourself: What Role Did I Play in the PROBLEM?

Psalms 139:23, Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. **24** See if there is any offensive way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

3. Move Into the Conversation With the Purpose of Reconciliation not Placing the BLAME

James 5:16, Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.

Ephesians 4:32, Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

4. Bear With One Another as You Begin to BOUNCE BACK

Ephesians 4:2, Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

Colossians 3:13, Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.