

THREE CORD STRONG

PRINCIPLES FOR BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS

ENDURING RELATIONSHIPS

PART 7 OF 7



LifeGroups
Do Life Together

3 Cord Strong: Principals for Building Relationships

Title: Serving and Considering Others

Session 7

Getting Started:

If everyone who knew you were going to describe you with just one word, what would you HOPE that word would be? Why?

From The Video:

1. "Agape" is a _____ and Agape is a _____.
2. Relationships will be _____ and more _____ if we put our love into action.
3. _____ is the #1 thing that destroys relationships.
4. We show _____ when we focus on the other person.

Questions:

Open:

When considering friendship, what is the most-important word/characteristic of a close friend? Why?

Digging Deeper:

- Both Jesus and the Apostle Paul used the word Agape to describe the type of love that we need to exhibit in close relationships. Why do you think that type of love is important?
- Read Phil. 2:3-4. How does this differ from what the worldly view would be? Do you have any examples?
- Have you ever given up a personal preference, or changed something for the sake of someone else? Share that experience. Explain how the idea of consideration can impact a relationship.
- Have you ever been in a one-sided relationship that always seemed more focused on the other party? Have you ever become aware that You were being one-sided in a relationship? How did that affect you? How should we navigate that kind of relationship?
- What are some practical steps we can take to assure that our relationships are built on serving and consideration? Share your thoughts and ideas.

Answer Key:

1. Agape is a CHOICE and Agape is a VERB.
2. Relationships will be DEEPER and more FULFILLING.
3. SELFISHNESS is the #1 that destroys.
4. We show HONOR when we focus on the other person.