



## Part 2: Relationships for a Reason

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### **Our hope for your relationships:**

That you will intentionally pursue purpose.

#### **Reality check:**

Relationships are difficult

We often have wrong or unclear expectations

We are all in relationships, but not all relationships are purposeful

#### **In our relationships, we are called to:**

Help each other become who we were created to be

*Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.*

*– 1 Thessalonians 5:11*

Sharpen each other's weaknesses

*As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another. – Proverbs 27:17*

Reflect the love of God to the world.

*No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. – 1 John 4:12*

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## Next Steps

**Pray about becoming a small group leader or host home** so you can create a place for yourself and others to experience purposeful relationships. If you sense God prompting you to take that step, contact Associate Pastor Terry Golden (733-1337 x252 or [terryg@ctkbellingham.com](mailto:terryg@ctkbellingham.com)) to find out how you can get started.

**If you're a young adult**, come this Sunday night and the next to the Relationship Series at Elevate, our Young Adults Ministry. Whether you're single, dating, engaged or married, this series will give you some tools to navigate your relationships in ways that honor Jesus Christ and make your life better. **Sundays, May 15 & 22 from 7:00-9:00 PM** in the Meeting Place. **Free dinner** included! No need to sign up, just show up.

### Small Group Questions



1. Who was your best friend growing up? What did you value most in that friendship?
2. Who is the person in your life you have had the hardest time showing love to? What has made that relationship difficult?
3. What would you say are fair expectations of a good friend? How do you show that to others?
4. Read Romans 12. What relational verbs in that passage stick out to you?
5. What could this group do to live out the purposeful relationships God has called us to?
6. How can we pray for you tonight?