

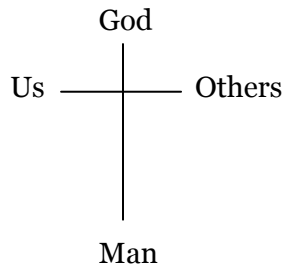
Love Boldly

Gen. 2:18

“Then the LORD God said, “It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him.”

2 core truths in this passage:

1. We were created to know God
2. We were created to know others



Relationships are all that matter in this world.
Since this is a truth in life – it is important that we live every day loving God and people completely!

Problem – we don’t value relationships like God does.

John 3:16

"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." NASB

“This is how much God loved the world: He gave his Son, his one and only Son. And this is why: so that no one need be destroyed; by believing in him, anyone can have a whole and lasting life. God didn't go to all the trouble of sending his Son merely to point an accusing finger, telling the world how bad it was. He came to help, to put the world right again. Anyone who trusts in him is acquitted; anyone who refuses to trust him has long since been under the death sentence without knowing it. And why? Because of that person's failure to believe in the one-of-a-kind Son of God when introduced to him.” The Message Bible

In this passage...

God shows us how to Love Completely

God’s love, real love, always involves sacrifice and forgiveness.

1. Sacrifice –

Eph. 3:17-19

“And I pray that you, firmly fixed in love yourselves, may be able to grasp... how wide and deep and long and high is the love of Christ – and to know for yourselves that love so far beyond comprehension.” JB Phillips

2. Forgiveness –

Romans 5:8

“But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.” NLT

Col. 3:13

“Make allowance for each other’s faults, and forgive anyone who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.” NLT

“He who cannot forgive others destroys the bridge over which he himself must pass.”

George Herbert

I Cor. 13

“Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. Love does not demand its own way. Love is not irritable, and it keeps no record of when it has been wronged. It is never glad about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. Love will last forever.”