

Friending
Week 2 - Overcoming Loneliness
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It's not fine...

Big Idea: Many of us have never experienced _____ as God intended, so we've settled for _____.

A Different Kind of Model - 1 Samuel 18-20

1. _____ (1 Sam. 18:1-5)
2. _____ (1 Sam. 19:1-6)
3. _____ (1 Sam. 20:30-33, 41-42)

The Garden + The Cross:

How Do You Get There?

A Living Picture...

Next Steps:

1. Ask yourself, "What's my current level of _____ and _____?"
2. Ask yourself, "What's one thing I could do _____?"
3. Keep _____.

"Based upon what I heard God saying to me today, I will _____."

Discussion Questions:

- When have you experienced a period of loneliness or isolation? What did that feel like for you?
- How did you respond to the question in Next Step 1? If you're currently lonely or isolated, do you have any sense of how you got here?
- Pastor Scott's Big Idea indicated that many of us have settled for less when it comes to friendship. This decision is often a product of cynicism or disappointment. Do you feel like the Big Idea described you? Why or why not?
- What excites, inspires, or encourages you about this story of David and Jonathan's friendship?
- What challenges, confuses or offends you about this story?
- In what ways has this group helped you overcome loneliness and isolation?
- Many relational conflicts begin with unstated or unmet expectations. Which expectations have you had for this group which have been unstated or unmet? Which expectations have been met or exceeded?
- How did you respond to Next Step 2? How can this group encourage as you overcome loneliness and isolation?

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