



# MESSAGE NOTES

## Designed for Connection

Not Just Sundays series / Friendships and Relationships

Hebrews 10:24-25

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### 1. God's Design

**Genesis 2:18** “It is not good for the man to be alone.”

From the beginning, God designed us for relationships. We are created for connection and companionship. God's plan for community means we don't go through life alone but instead develop meaningful relationships that reflect His love, build each other up, and draw us closer to Him.

### 2. Actively Connect Meaningfully with Others

Hebrews 10:24-25 Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds... not giving up meeting together... but encouraging one another.”

Don't let relationships happen by chance; be intentional.

### 3. Jesus Example of Intentional Connection

- **Jesus Seeks Out Disciples** – He invites them to follow Him and builds close relationships ([Matthew 4:18-22](#)).
- **Jesus and the Samaritan Woman** – He starts a conversation with a Samaritan woman, crossing cultural boundaries ([John 4:1-42](#)).
- **Jesus with Zacchaeus** – Jesus calls Zacchaeus down and visits his home ([Luke 19:1-10](#)).
- **Jesus Weeps with Mary and Martha** – He shares in their grief and performs a miracle ([John 11:1-44](#)).

### Summary

Friendships and relationships are part of God's design for community. We are called to encourage, support, and build each other up in love. Our relationships should reflect God's grace, drawing others closer to Him. In our daily lives—whether at work, school, or gatherings—may we see friendships as opportunities to live out the Gospel, being intentional in how we treat others in our everyday lives, not just on Sundays.