

Relationships (part 3) Building Trust Sunday May 04, 2008

Trust is the foundation of any relationship.

Husbands-Wives / Parents-Children / Workplace / Church

A) Trust is earned.

The way I conduct myself will increase or decrease people's trust in me.

Faithful = Trustworthy = dependable

B) Trust must be given.

Luke 6:31 And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise.

When you trust some one, you are willing to empower them. Trusting someone empowers them.

Some people are by default suspicious in nature. You need to get rid of that.

I am not saying that we should blindly trust people to the point of being gullible - where people can easily cheat us.

If God can trust me with so much, I must be willing to come to a place of trusting others.

Never let the situation mean more than the relationship.

How do we build trust?

1. Keep your words

Integrity builds trust.

Matthew 5:37 But let your 'Yes' be 'Yes,' and your 'No,' 'No.' For whatever is more than these is from the evil one.

2. Be faithful to people

Unfaithfulness destroys trust.

Proverbs 11:13

A talebearer reveals secrets, But he who is of a faithful spirit conceals a matter.

Proverbs 25:13

Like the cold of snow in time of harvest Is a faithful messenger to those who send him, For he refreshes the soul of his masters.

Proverbs 25:19

Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble Is like a bad tooth and a foot out of joint.



3. Be dependable

Dependability builds trust.

Luke 16:10-12 10 He who is faithful in what is least is faithful also in much; and he who is unjust in what is least is unjust also in much. 11 Therefore if you have not been faithful in the unrighteous mammon, who will commit to your trust the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful in what is another man's, who will give you what is your own?

Specific Scenarios

1. Husbands-Wives

Proverbs 31:10,11

10 Who can find a virtuous wife? For her worth is far above rubies. 11 The heart of her husband safely trusts her; So he will have no lack of gain.

One spouse secretly checking the other's mobile, phone bill, bank account, email, etc. shows a lack of trust.

2. Parents-Children

In an attempt to distract our kids, we promise them things which we do not do. This only results in developing distrust.

Children lie to parents, going one place and go somewhere else.

3. Workplace / Church

The scenarios are quite similar in the workplace or in the church. We are either leading or following (delegated with responsibility).

For us spiritual leaders

As leaders we need to build trust with those who follow us.

If people trust us they will follow us. They will listen to us. They will have a sense of confidence and security in our decisions.

The man is more important than the message. If the man is credible, the message is credible. If the man loses credibility, his message becomes suspect. (1 Timothy 3:1-10)

My Dream

10 Feb 2008, Sunday

Had kind of a vision in a dream. Saw myself in a time and place during the time of the healing revival of the 1950-60s in the USA. I think the two people that were present were Oral Roberts and A.A. Allen. I was crying out for an anointing similar to what they had for healings and miracles. And I heard the Lord say two things. (1)These men took <u>their</u> word seriously. When they said some thing they did it. They kept their word. They did not sin with their words. The Lord was directing me to do the same. To be pure in my words. That when I said some thing, I



will keep it. And second, (2)These men took <u>God's Word</u> seriously. They were devoted to the word of God.

God is impressing these two keys to me personally, so that I can walk in that same kind of anointing for healings and miracles as these men did.

<u>For us who follow – who have been entrusted with responsibility and delegated authority</u> We need to prove ourselves faithful and to those who lead us. Follow instructions. Don't go off and do your own thing. Stay within boundaries. Cell Group Leaders

Whether we are leaders or followers, God is looking for faithful people. God rewards faithfulness.
God Himself is looking for faithful men
Matthew 24:42-47 God rewards faithfulness
Matthew 25:21,23
1 Corinthians 4:2
1 Timothy 1:12

Let's build trust in our relationships. Let's be those whom others can trust.

Sermon Notes





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