



SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday March 12th, 2017

PASTOR DAVID COOKE: FOOLPROOF INTIMACY

- CREATED TO CONNECT
- WHAT IS INTIMACY?

Foolproof intimacy is found when we move beyond shame to being fully known and fully knowing another.

"And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed." (Genesis 2:25, ESV)

- KNOWING AND BEING KNOWN
- FAITH

"And this is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." (John 17:3, ESV)



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- FAMILY

"But Ruth said, "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go, and where you lodge I will lodge. Your people shall be my people, and your God my God." (Ruth 1:16, ESV)

- FRIEND

"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow. But woe to him who is alone when he falls and has not another to lift him up! Again, if two lie together, they keep warm, but how can one keep warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him—a threefold cord is not quickly broken." (Ecclesiastes 4:9-12, ESV)

- LOVER

"Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth! For your love is better than wine; your anointing oils are fragrant; your name is oil poured out; therefore virgins love you. Draw me after you; let us run. The king has brought me into his chambers. We will exult and rejoice in you; we will extol your love more than wine; rightly do they love you." (Song of Solomon 1:2-4, ESV)



"Drink water from your own cistern, flowing water from your own well. Should your springs be scattered abroad, streams of water in the streets? Let them be for yourself alone, and not for strangers with you. Let your fountain be blessed, and rejoice in the wife of your youth, a lovely deer, a graceful doe. Let her breasts fill you at all times with delight; be intoxicated always in her love." (Proverbs

- INTIMACY BREAKERS

- THE HEARTBREAK OF SHAME

- THE HEARTBREAK OF BETRAYAL

- STEPPING THROUGH SHAME TO LOVE

"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13, ESV)

- FOOLPROOF INTIMACY



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Icbreaker: How would you explain the concept of relational intimacy?

Prayer: Give your time to God. Before your sermon discussion, pray together. Save the prayer requests for later in your group meeting and just start praying and praising... about anything that is on your hearts and minds.

This Week:

1. How would you describe the biblical ideal of intimacy in relationships? What about this topic challenges you? What affirms you?
2. Is there something from the weekend teaching that stood out to you? How so?
3. How can the biblical metaphor of Israel as wife to God shed light on our understanding of God's divine love for us? (Jer. 2:2; 3:14; 31:32; Hos. 11:8; 14:4; Is. 52:4)
4. The context of fatherly advice to a son is found in Proverbs. How do Proverbs 5:18 and Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 correlate with the proper intimacy in marriage?
5. Read Psalm 139. Our relationship with God is of ultimate intimacy and priority. How can your relationship with Him deepen your relationships with others?

Through God's grace and power, we can have meaningful relationships in which we are known and know someone else.

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