

MATTHEW 6:33 AND JOHN 15:1-5

OPENING

How would you describe your relationship with God? What is one word that might sum it up? At present, how would you rate your relationship with God?

QUESTIONS

Read Matthew 6:33 and John 15:1-5.

- 1) What do these passages tell us about how God wants to relate to us? What does this tell us about God and His desire to be known?

- 2) What relationships do we tend to elevate above our relationship with God? What does this look like in your own life? What impact does it have on you?

- 3) What does abiding in Jesus look like for you? Do you feel this is difficult for you? What might make it become a light burden for you (see Matthew 11:28-30)?

- 4) When our relationship with God is in a healthy place, all other relationships tend to flourish. How have you seen this happen? Be specific.

SCRIPTURE

Write which passage of scripture you are reading.

OBSERVATION

What is this text saying? What is the context? How does it fit with the verses before and after it? Are there any commands or instructions?

APPLICATION

How can you apply this verse to your life? What does this mean today? What is God saying to you?

PRAYER

Respond to the passage in prayer. Ask God to help you apply this truth to your life and spend some time listening to what He may be telling you.
