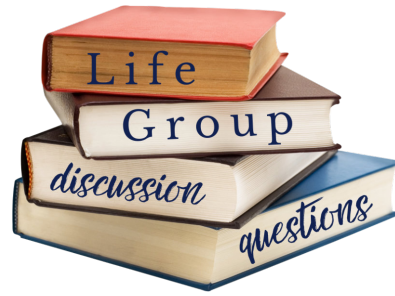


OPENING DISCUSSION

What are the keys to good relationships with friends, family, and/or acquaintances?



SERMON

What does Jesus say about the importance of mending relationships? Why is this so important?

Why should we first mend broken relationships with people before we try to get right with God?

Why do you think broken relationships with people negatively affect our relationship with God?

Why might bringing an offering to God bring to mind other relationships that need mending in your life?

Read 1 John 4:20. What does this verse add to our understanding of the importance of having good relationships?

APPLICATION

Why is vulnerability so important when it comes to mending broken relationships?

In Jesus' words in Matthew 5:23-24, who is the person assumed to be at fault in the relationship? Who is called to make the first step?

How does it feel that you, in vulnerability, may need to take the first step to mend a relationship when the pain is still real?

Are there any relationships that you need to mend?

How is your relationship with God? Are there broken relationships in your life that may be affecting your relationship with God?

What steps can you take to be more vulnerable in your relationships?

Not a part of a Life Group at North Hills? Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting. When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that everyone will be glad you came!
<https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry>

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Authentic

So if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your gift there before the altar and go. First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.

Matthew 5:23-24 (ESV)

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2021-2022 Sermon Series: Authentic

Authentic Relationships: Be Vulnerable

Matthew 5:23-24

AUTHENTIC PRINCIPLE:

_____ with others affect our
_____ with God.

1. Mend _____ relationships quickly. (Matthew 5:23)
2. If you feel distant from God, _____ your other relationships first.
(Matthew 5:24)

RESPONSE:

How _____ are you in your
_____ with God and others.

Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year

See the church newsletter for this week's Bible reading passages.

(<https://church.north-hills.org/newsletters/weekly-newsletter>)

Outdoor Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings

Parents and guardians, we ask that you go to the **main entrance** of the Worship Center to check your child in. After service, please go to the Preschool Playground in a timely fashion to check your child out. While our Sunday morning Children's Worship is designed for children, it is not mandatory children attend. Parents and guardians are welcome to keep their children with them in the Worship Center if they prefer.

Communication Cards and Offering Envelopes

At the **main entrance** and **senior parking lot entrance** of the Worship Center, you will find special new boxes when you leave today. If you have filled out a Communication Card or Offering Envelope, please insert them into either of the boxes (please note the boxes will remain out for 15 minutes after the service). For those who prefer to contribute online, simply go to north-hills.org and click on Support NH or text GIVE to (707) 289-7600.

Next Business Meeting

Join us for our upcoming Business Meeting on February 27. The meeting will be in the Worship Center after the service.

The Upward Basketball season starts in 2 weeks!

We still have opportunities for people to serve in Upward this season! If you would like to help referee games, keep score and run the time clock, or coordinate the concession stand, please send an email to upward@nhcsvallejo.org or speak with Lu Parinas, Amanda Watson, or Lindsay Andal. If you are unable to help out physically, but can help financially, we have many students who have requested scholarships to play. The cost is \$125 per player and we would welcome anything you are able to give. *Thanks!*

A graphic for a Valentine's Day Chapel. It features three overlapping red hearts on a light pink background. The central heart is the largest and contains the text "North Hills Christian Preschool" in a small, sans-serif font, and "Valentine's Day" in a large, white, cursive script font. Below the hearts, the word "CHAPEL" is written in large, bold, white, sans-serif capital letters. To the left of "CHAPEL" is the text "We invite you to watch it on the" in a dark grey, serif font. To the right of "CHAPEL" is the text "North Hills YouTube Channel" in a dark grey, serif font. Below "CHAPEL" is the text "Wednesday, February 9" in a dark grey, serif font, and below that is "Starts at 9:30 AM" in a dark grey, serif font.

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