

Sermon Notes – March 29, 2026

Title: Genuine Connections

Series: Alignment #5

Bible Texts: Gen. 2:21-25; 3:6, 9-10;

Col. 2:9-10a Eph. 5:21

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Unspoken vows expect another to fulfill God's role in my life.

Displacing God _____ the intimacy we were created to enjoy

We expect too much from _____ people because we expect too little from _____

Genuine, intimate relationships grow on decisions made by a _____ person, not by a _____ in the person.

Becoming one flesh includes physical, _____, intellectual, and _____ oneness.
Genesis 2:22-24

_____ intimacy is nakedness without _____
Genesis 2:25

Sin _____ intimacy Genesis 3:6, 9-10

The Main Idea:

- Only _____ Can Be _____ in My Life
- Stop Expecting Someone Else to Be _____
- Start _____ Others with _____

Through Jesus we have been brought to _____
Colossians 2:9-10

Four Action Steps to Building Genuine Connections

1. Let God _____ in Your Life

Reclaim God as your true source of _____

Identify one unspoken _____ you have placed on a loved one and surrender it to God today.

Embrace your _____ in Jesus: loved, secure, and significant

2. Make the Decision to _____

Shift from “What can I ____?” to “How can I _____ you?”

3. Learn How to Love Those Around You

_____ their story, hopes, dreams, wounds, etc.

Ask one person a meaningful _____ to learn more about their story.

4. Put Love into _____

Live out the “_____” commands

_____ to one another out of reverence for Christ
Ephesians 5:21

Put love into action this week by serving someone without expecting anything in return.

Memory Verse: Colossians 2:9-10 (NIV)

For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form, and in Christ you have been brought to fullness.