



Message Outline
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Intentional Connection

Healthy _____ fuel healthy growth.

Four faith-shaping rhythms:

- 1. Bible Intake**
- 2. Prayer**
- 3. Financial Stewardship**
- 4. _____**

Intentional Connection refers to...

Purposefully cultivating relationships in your spiritual journey with someone ahead of you, someone behind you, and someone beside you.

- * Your spiritual journey isn't meant to be made in _____.**

Hebrews 10:24-25a - And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another.

Three Crucial Intentional Connections

1. All of us can benefit from the experience of someone who is further along on their faith journey than we are – a _____.

2 Timothy 3:10-11a - You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings...

- * There are two ways to learn: 1) _____**
- 2) _____**

Proverbs 13:20a - Walk with the wise and become wise.

- * Benefits of having someone to guide you spiritually:**

Proverbs 27:17 - As iron sharpens iron, so one person sharpens another.

- * Effective learning is more _____ than taught.**

- * You don't _____ what you don't know.**

- * We all need someone willing to speak _____ into our life.**

- * Paul didn't just teach Timothy for Timothy's own _____. He deliberately developed Timothy into someone who could then do the same for others.**

2 Timothy 2:2 - And the things you have heard me say in the presence of many witnesses entrust to reliable people who will also be qualified to teach others.

2. All of us can benefit from the experience of assisting someone who is not as far along on their faith journey as we are – a _____.

- * Learning in order to teach is a _____.**

3. All of us can benefit from someone who believes in us and walks alongside us – a _____.

- * The Christian life is more like a _____ than a sprint. It's a long obedience in the same direction.**

** Satan has two primary tactics when it comes to neutralizing you spiritually: _____ and fear.*

Who is or could become your Paul? _____

Who is or could become your Timothy? _____

Who is or could become your Barnabas? And whose Barnabas do you need to become?

- 1. _____ 2. _____**