

For the One Part 3—We Make Friends
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USING THIS SERMON DISCUSSION GUIDE

We have provided all the Scriptures references in the sermon and some discussion questions for you to use to facilitate a discussion.

This Sermon Discussion Guide is only a tool to aid you in meeting the needs of your group. For most groups, there are too many questions to answer in one session together.

While the questions are important, remember your group's goal is not to get through the questions, but to create an atmosphere that will foster true friendships. Use the discussion questions as you see fit but emphasize the relationships.

[Matthew 11:19, NCV]

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Disney's Vision: *To be one of the world's leading producers and providers of entertainment and information.*

Disney's Mission: *Using our portfolio of brands to differentiate our content, services and consumer products, we seek to develop the most creative, innovative and profitable entertainment experiences and related products in the world."*

Disney's common purpose: **"I create happiness."**

TFH Vision: **People Encountering the Reality of God**

TFH Mission: **The Father's House** exists so that the people far from God will find life in Christ.

[Matthew 11:16-19]

“What can I say about the people of this time? What are they like? They are like children sitting in the marketplace, who call out to each other,

‘We played music for you, but you did not dance; we sang a sad song, but you did not cry.’

John came and did not eat or drink like other people. So people say, ‘He has a demon.’ The Son of Man came, eating and drinking, and people say, ‘Look at him! He eats too much and drinks too much wine, and he is a friend of tax collectors and sinners.’ But wisdom is proved to be right by what she does.”

Thank God that Jesus is a friend of sinners!

[John 15:12-15]

This is my command: Love each other as I have loved you. The greatest love a person can show is to die for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know what his master is doing. But I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I heard from my Father.

TFH Common Purpose: **“We Make Friends.”**

#1. Be real.

#2 Be open.

#3 Be active.

Social distancing does not mean relational distancing.

Our vision is the moon, our mission is our rocketship, and our common purpose is the fuel: You have to make friends, if you want to get to the moon.

FOR MONDAY—

- 1. Create a common purpose statement for you and your tribe that is easy, memorable, and doable.**
- 2. Seize opportunities to be real, open, and active, with someone far from Christ.**

TALK IT THROUGH

- 1.** How important is customer service and the guest experience to you? Share a time when it shaped your perspective of an organization.
- 2.** When has someone gone above and beyond the expectation and personally impacted your life?
- 3.** How do we, as a church, take our approach to reaching others to the next level?
- 4.** What are ways that Jesus showed He was a “friend of sinners?”
- 5.** Why is it so significant that Jesus calls his followers “friends?”
- 6.** Who befriended you at a vulnerable time? How did that open your eyes to a bigger world?
- 7.** What happens when “we make friends?” Which of these three do you need to stretch yourself in: being real, open, or active? What could that look like even this week?