

Can People Really Change? “Family”- Jim Burgen

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Community:

1. What relationships in your life do you consider most important to you?
2. What are some of your favorite activities that you do with your family or those closest to you?

Core:

1. Jim talked about how if we don't invest in the relationships with have with those closest to us, then eventually, those relationships will die. What do you think it looks like for you to take a step towards investing more in the most important relationships in your life?
2. **Read Luke 11:21-22.** How can this be related to the most important relationships in your life? What are the things that *attack* or *come after* those relationships? What do you think you need from God in order to defend against those attacks?
3. Is there something that somebody has done to you that you are still holding against them? Is there anything that you need to take ownership for, and need grace for, in how you've handled things from your end?
4. What is your **vision** for the most important relationships in your life or the relationships where you want to see change? If you could narrow it down, what exactly is it that you want for those relationships?
5. What is your **intent** for the most important relationships in your life or the relationships where you want to see change? What can you pick out and choose to take ownership of in order to see that change?
6. What is your **strategy** for achieving what you want in the most important relationships in your life or the relationships where you want to see change? What is one thing that you can do in order to actually start creating the change you want to see in those relationships?

Challenge:

This week , write down the relationships in your life that you want to improve or where you want to see change. Then, spend some time journaling about: (1) Where you need to experience the **Grace** that forgives you and sets you free from where you have fallen short in those relationships. (2) Where you need to experience the **Grace** that spiritually empowers you and changes you as it pertains to those relationships. (3) Your **vision** for what you want those relationships to look like. (4) Your **intent** for those relationships—what do you want? (5) Your **strategy** for doing something new and different in order to see the change that you desire to see in those relationships.