



*The thing about*  
**RELATIONSHIPS**

## THE THING ABOUT RELATIONSHIPS (April 7 to May 5)

*Many relationships are under constant stress and fatigue. Fortunately, Jesus provides us wisdom showing us how to rethink the way we live among — and interact with — friends, coworkers, neighbors, strangers, and even family.*

### Group Discussion

**Getting started:** What is the next thing on your calendar that you are looking forward to?

1. How does being aware of who you are, help you be more aware of others? Read **Romans 3:23-24**. We are all sinners saved by grace. When we are oblivious to this, we become self-righteous. Why is that?
2. Read **Romans 8:14-15**. When you know who you are, you know what to do. Why is there such a connection between identity and activity? When you know you are God's child, how does that change your relationship with God? How does it change your relationship with others?
3. Read **Luke 19:10** and **Mark 10:45**. Be less oblivious to the mission. How did Jesus view people? How can we begin to view people the way that Jesus does?
4. C. S. Lewis said, *"The great thing, if one can, is to stop regarding all the unpleasant things as interruptions of one's 'own,' or 'real' life. The truth is of course that what one calls the interruptions are precisely one's real life — the life God is sending one day by day."* Jesus was interrupted all the time, can you think of any examples? How did he respond to them? Are you ever oblivious to opportunities because you dismiss or make no time for interruptions?

## Next Steps

- What is one act of kindness you can do for someone this week to let them know you care about them?

## Resources

- *Made for People* by Justin Whitmel Earley

## Next Week

We will wrap up our sermon series *The Thing About Relationships* by learning how to *Be Bold, Less Passive*.

- **Jasper:** 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m. EDT.
- **Loogootee:** 9 and 10:30 a.m. EDT.
- **Tell City:** 8:30 and 10 a.m. CDT.

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