

SERMON OUTLINE

Most of us have experienced way more losers than winners.

Eventually, somebody you love, someone you trusted, someone you had faith in, or thought was a friend will disappoint you, hurt you and cause you significant relational pain.

When rejection happens we typically want to show the other person you're right and they're wrong.

It's normal, when you're hurt, to want to treat others in the same way that they treated you.

God's relationship rules encourages us to choose to live differently when it comes to rejection and acceptance.

As a Christian, you get God, and God gets us.

When it comes to other people, Jesus says, I want you to respond to them the way that I responded to you.

God designed us in such a way to be acceptance magnets.

Challenge: Accept one another, in the same way, to the same degree, with the same intensity as Jesus accepted you.

When acceptance becomes the focus, then you'll gain influence.

**RELATIONSHIP RULES:
ACCEPTANCE**

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