

Relationships Take Work: The Invitation

Introduction

“Learn how to BE with Christ so we can learn how to BE with others.” – Min. Tina Taylor

- Jesus is a relational God
God wants to BE with us
- He is concerned about our relationships
- The greatest two commandments are about relationships (Matthew 22)
- Explore Jesus’ relationship with His disciples so that we can learn how to be with each other

Come, And See John 1:35-39

- Jesus invited the disciples to come live with Him.
- Spending time with Christ allows you to get to know Him intimately
Expect to spend time with God
- He can reveal Himself, His love, and His plan for your life.

Come, To Me John 6:25-37

- Jesus invited the people to come to Him and not just His hand.
- Christ reminded them that He is more than a waymaker; He is the Way.
- Christ would desire we come to His personhood and not just His hand.

Come, Eat Breakfast John 21:1-14

- Jesus invited the disciples to BE with Him; not just serve Him.
- His ultimate goal was to BE with them in another intimate way.
- The disciples ate breakfast with the Risen King.

“When you sit and dine with someone, it indicates relationship.” – Minister Tina Taylor

Conclusion

- Being with Jesus helps us to BE with one another. Only He can aid us in giving respect, love, communication, and forgiveness.
- He does this by transforming us while in His presence. He heals and empowers us while in His presence.
- Christ ultimate invitation is to be in relationship with Him.
- Second to that is being in relationship with others.