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Stay Out of My Relationships

Sermon Outline: Sunday, October 1st, 2023

I. Intro - Negative Polarization

- A. Examples and Application
- B. Luke 6:27-36 (4) Instructions for relationships:
 - 1. Find some enemies.
 - 2. Love in relationships is a choice, not just a feeling.
 - 3. Relationships should and will cost you deeply.
 - 4. Grace is to be the root of all relationships.

II. Finding Enemies (Luke 6:27-28)

- A. Tribalism
- B. Honor/Shame
- C. Identification of enemies
- D. Application/Notes:

III. Love in relationships is a choice, not just a feeling

(Luke 6:29-31)

- A. Jesus cares about Justice (Isaiah 1:17/Isaiah 61:8)
- B. Your response/your responsibility
- C. Sacrifice speaks louder than words
- D. Application/Notes:

IV. Relationships should and will cost you deeply

(Luke 6:32-35a)

- A. Me community vs. we community
- B. Where do I draw lines in a relationship?
 - 1. I Peter 4:8 Relationship principles.
- C. Application/Notes

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V. Grace is to be the root of all relationships (Luke 6:35b-36)

- A. Lifting Jesus high & dependence on him (John 15:5)
- B. Two stories (Galatians 3:28)
- C. Grace requires proximity (Matthew 9:10-13)
- D. Communion (Romans 7:21-25 & 5:9-10)
- E. Application/notes