

God's Design for Intimacy and Identity

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- 1. There's a strong association in our culture today between intimacy and sexual activity. Why do you think that is? Where do you see this in the world?
- 2. What are the dangers of linking intimacy primarily with sex?
- 3. What does real intimacy look like in your view and according to God's Word?
- 4. Adam mentioned several different aspects of intimacy:

Emotional Respect Attention Forgiveness Affection Gratitude Sexual Support Vulnerability Trust Shared Experiences Planning Communication Intellectual Spiritual **Empathy**

- a. Can you think of any others?
- b. Which of these is a challenge for you?
- 5. Why is it important to connect our identity to our intimacy with our Creator, not to our work, popularity, physical ability, wealth, sexual desires, or gender expression?