



SMALL GROUP CURRICULUM VIDEO: [HTTPS://VIMEO.COM/637512474/156B734B14](https://vimeo.com/637512474/156B734B14)

Main Idea

God wants us to glorify Him in our relationships- whether we are dating or married.

Starter

What is the best or worst date you have ever been on?

Discuss

If you are single, what are the most important characteristics you look for in someone you want to date? If you are married, what is the characteristic you most appreciate about your spouse?

Read

Read [1 Corinthians 10:31](#) and discuss:

- In your own words, what does it mean to glorify God in your relationships (dating or married)?
- Who is someone in your life who has set the best example for a Christ-centered relationship for you? What did you learn from their example?

Divide your group into males and females:

- Read [Ephesians 5:25-33](#), [Proverbs 31](#), and [Galatians 5:22-25](#) together and make a list of characteristics God wants men and women to embody in their relationships.
- Discuss and evaluate together:
 - What is most encouraging or challenging to you about these characteristics?
 - If someone observed your current or most recent relationship for a month, would you be setting an example that would draw them to Jesus?
 - What would need to change in your character to better reflect God's character in dating or marriage?

Apply

Before you close, have someone read the prayer found in [Ephesians 3:14-21](#) as a group.

- Remind your group that God loves them more than anyone else and wants to help them grow in loving others like Him in their relationships—no matter how much they have messed up in the past.
- Then, have them share; how is a step you could take to better honor God with your relationships?

Follow the Holy Spirit's leading to pray for each other to glorify God in your relationships.

*Make sure to share the "Own Your Street" link with your group—to join others to pray once a week for their family, friends, and neighbors. They will see their street on a map and get a prayer guide when they sign up.