

Helping Others Change

Week 8-Building Relationships by Identifying with Suffering

Group Discussion

1. Last week we talked much about using entry gates to grow our relationships to deeper levels. We said that this required actually listening to the other person before you start thinking of the solution. Do you find it easy to sit back and actually listen, or do you tend to try to fix the situation before you have heard the entire issue? What can you do to grow in this area?
2. How do you feel when you are around someone that is in the midst of deep suffering? Do you find it easy or difficult to be around that person. Why?

Review

Week 8

3. Suffering: The Commonality of Mankind
4. Important Biblical Principles of Suffering

5. Element 3: Identifying with Suffering

6. Hebrews 2

7. 2 Corinthians 1:3-11

a. The Model: Viewing Suffering and Comfort Redemptively

b. The Method: Telling Christ-Centered Stories

8. Element 4: Accept with Agenda