



DISCUSSION GUIDE

PART 1: Doing Right VS Being Right

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START

We all have relationships of various kinds in life. Relationships with coworkers, bosses, friends, parents, children, boyfriends, girlfriends, husbands, and wives. These relationships can range from acquaintances to intimate relationships. Whatever the lever of the relationship we can be certain that we have experienced struggles in these relationships.

- What's a relationship you struggle with?
- Why do you think you struggle with this relationship?
- What do you think is under the surface of your relationships that cause strife?

READ

[1 Samuel 15:22](#) (NIV)

“But Samuel replied: “Does the Lord delight in burnt offerings and sacrifices as much as in obeying the Lord? To obey is better than sacrifice, and to heed is better than the fat of rams.”

THINK

Knowing what to do in our relationships is usually not the issue. Most of the time we know what we need to do, but being unwilling to do what we know needs to be done is the issue. We know what needs to be done, but we are unwilling to do it because of pain, pride, or revenge.

- When have you been unwilling to do what you know needs to be done in a relationship?
- How did not doing affect your relationship?

Saul tries to hide his disobedience of God in false faithfulness. He tells Samuel we saved the best so that we could give the best to God. It is easy to try to justify our unfaithfulness to God in our relationships by coming up with ways that we are being faithful. We try to be right instead of doing what is right.

- How do you lean towards proving you are right over doing what is right?
- How can listening help us determine what the right thing to do is in a relationship?
- What relationship needs your attention to do what is right?

PRAY

“God I can be stubborn and fight so that people know that I am right. Help me to listen and be slow to speak so that I can discern what is right over being right.”

ACT

This week, determine which relationship needs your attention. Where you just need to sit and listen and get under the surface so that you can determine what the right thing to do is.

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