

INVESTING IN YOUR RELATIONSHIPS
#SermonInvesting
Growing Healthy Relationships - Part 3
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2 Corinthians 9:6 Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. (NIV)

1. MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF INTEREST

Proverbs 18:1 People who do not get along with others are interested only in themselves... (TEV)

Philippians 2:4 Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. (NIV)

James 1:19b Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry. (NIV)

2. MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF ACCEPTANCE

Romans 15:7 Accept one another, then just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. (NIV)

Matthew 6:15 But if you don't forgive others, your Father will not forgive your sins. (CEV)

3. MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF EXPERIENCE

Proverbs 15:30 Bright eyes gladden the heart; good news puts fat on the bones. (NAU)

Proverbs 15:13 A joyful heart makes a cheerful face... NAU)

2 Corinthians 1:3-5 God is the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God. For just as the sufferings of Christ flow over into our lives, so also through Christ our comfort overflows. (NIV)

Romans 12:15 When others are happy, be happy with them, and when they are sad, be sad. (CEV)

4. MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF HONOR

Romans 12:10 Love each other like brothers and sisters. Give each other more honor than you want for yourself. (NCV)

Matthew 15:8 These people honor me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me. (GW)

5. MAKE AN INVESTMENT OF FAITH

Romans 1:12 I want us to help each other with the faith we have. Your faith will help me, and my faith will help you. (NCV)

John 9:25 The man responded, "I don't know if he's a sinner or not. But I do know one thing. I used to be blind, but now I can see." (GW)

Remember this: GOD MADE THESE INVESTMENTS IN YOU

1 John 4:7, 19 ...let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God... ¹⁹ We love because he first loved us. (NIV)