



3 Keys to Healthy Relationships

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First, never stop being a learner.

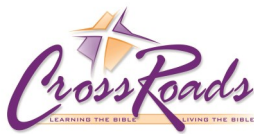
Second, work on becoming a good _____.

- *“Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath.” James 1:19*
- Pharisees are good talkers, but they are not good listeners.
- But a godly person has learned the biblical art of listening. The only way we can truly _____ is by listening.
- *“The ear that **heareth** the reproof of life abideth among the wise. He that refuseth instruction despiseth his own soul: but he that **heareth** reproof getteth understanding.” Proverbs 15:31-32*
- *“He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit. Even a fool, when he holdeth his peace, is counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed a man of understanding.” Proverbs 17:27-28*
- *“He that answereth a matter before he **heareth** it, it is folly and shame unto him.” Proverbs 18:13*

- People who have not mastered the godly virtue of listening are going to have relational _____ everywhere they go in life.
- If we don't learn to listen, we will end up doing exactly what the Pharisees in our text did.
 - We jump to _____ conclusions. vs. 16
 - We use conversations to try and _____ agreement to our way of thinking. vs. 24
 - We hear, but we don't understand. vs. 26-27
 - We use conversations to _____ each other. vs. 28, 34
- How can we learn to be good listeners?
 - Give to the other person your undivided _____. 1 Peter 3:8
 - _____ to what the other person says.
 - _____ the other person's opinions and feelings.

When you quit listening, you quit learning, and when you quit learning, you quit _____.

Let's enhance our relationships in life by becoming godly listeners.



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