

3 Essentials that make Relationships Work

2 Timothy 3:4
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First, promises must be _____.

- The word “traitors” describes people who betray others and cannot be trusted. They lie and _____ their promises.
- Jesus also prophesied that in the last days there would be an epidemic of broken promises.

“And you shall be betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends; and some of you shall they cause to be put to death.”

Luke 21:16

- The opposite of traitor would be trustworthy.

“Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbor: for we are members one of another.” **Ephesians 4:25**

- A foundation of relationships is _____.

Second, _____ must be exhibited.

- “Heady” means reckless, rash, hasty, acting without careful thought.
- The Bible correlates being heady or hasty with foolishness.

“He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalts folly.” **Proverbs 14:29**

“See you a man that is hasty in his words? There is more hope of a fool than of him.” Proverbs 29:20

“Be not hasty in your spirit to be angry: for anger rests in the bosom of fools.” Ecclesiastes 7:9

- Healthy, life-giving, lasting relationships require patience.

Third, _____ priorities must be maintained.

“Jesus said unto him, You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment.” Matthew 22:37-38

- But Paul said in verse 4 that people will love pleasures more than they love God.
- People live life and make decisions based upon what is _____ and pleasurable for their flesh.
- Do we love God more than worldly pleasures?
- When priorities begin to get misplaced, it leads to relational problems.

God must be _____ in your life, in your home, and in your everyday relationships.