

GRAND VALLEY CHURCH - MESSAGE DISCUSSION QUESTIONS



Didn't See It Coming Part 2: Disconnection

Sermon Big Idea

We've never been more connected as a culture, and we've never felt more alone. Many experts are beginning to call loneliness a cultural epidemic. Why is it that we can have 500 friends on social media and feel so utterly alone? A devious disconnect is underway in our culture, and it's not just a tech problem...it's a human problem.

Two things have led to our disconnection: the demise of genuine conversation, and the demise of confession.

Love has a speed, and it's slower than you are.

Discussion Questions

1. What part of technology do you love the most, and what do you dislike the most?
2. What does it feel like (to you) to be ignored by others when you're in the same room? How often are you guilty of doing that same thing to someone else?
3. When you have a conversation with someone, how often are you formulating your response instead of listening to understand? What are some things that can help us get back to genuine conversations.
4. Read **Philippians 2:1-4** What would having the attitude that Paul describes here do to change the way we have conversations?
5. Why is confessing our wrongs so hard for us to do? What does confession confront on an internal level?
6. Carey Neiuwhof said "Healthy people treat reasons as an explanation, not justification." What is the difference between an explanation and a justification when we have offended or hurt someone else?
7. Read **Ephesians 4:1-6**. What is the picture of unity that Paul is creating in this passage? What will it take to live this way with each other?
8. What would it take for you to slow down and move at the speed of love?

Scripture Passages

Philippians 2:3

Paul writes to a group of Christians about the attitude we have in all our relationships.

Ephesians 4:2

Paul addresses how we can stay united with each other even when we have disagreements or offend (intentionally or not)

James 5:18

James writes to a group of churches about the connection between confession and healing.