

# THE KEY TO RESTORING A RELATIONSHIP

## Building Bridges Part 8

The key: HUMILITY

*“... clothe yourselves with humility toward one another...”*  
1 Peter 5:5

### HOW TO HUMBLY RESTORE A RELATIONSHIP

6 steps of humility

#### 1. ASK FOR GOD’S HELP

*“God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.”*  
James 4:6b

#### 2. AFFIRM THEIR VALUE

*“Have a profound respect for each other.”* Rom. 12:10b

*“Do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourself.”* Phil 2:3

#### 3. ACKNOWLEDGE MY RESPONSIBILITY AND MY SIN

*“Each person must be responsible for himself.”* Gal. 6:5

*“For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.”*  
Rom. 3:23

#### 4. ALLOW THEM TO BE HUMAN

*“You must make allowance for each other’s faults and forgive the person who offends you. Remember, the Lord forgave you, so you must forgive others.”* Col. 3:13

#### 5. ADJUST TO THEIR NEEDS

*“Look out for one another’s interests, not just your own.”*  
Phil. 2:4

*“We should please others. If we do what helps them, we will build them up in the Lord.”* Rom. 15:2

#### 6. ABANDON MY OWN RIGHTS

*“Marriage is not a place to ‘stand up for your rights.’ Marriage is a decision to serve the other...”* 1 Cor. 7:4

*“Your attitude should be the same as Christ Jesus had. Though He was God, He did not demand and cling to His rights as God... Instead of this, of His own free will, He gave up all He had and took the nature of a servant.”* Phil. 2:5-7

*“May God, who gives endurance and encouragement, allow you to live in harmony with each other by following the example of Christ Jesus.”* Rom. 15:5

Next Sunday:

**THE 3 SPIRITUAL HABITS OF  
EFFECTIVE PEOPLE**  
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