ART OF RELATIONSHIPS • mariners church irvine

COMPARISON: THE THIEF

Created for relationship

From the beginning Matthew 19:4-6

Relationships destroyed: shame, hiding, blame Genesis 3:1-13

Restored to relationship John 3:16

Our destructive tendency...comparison

No win in comparison..."compare I sin"

• Always someone...er...est 1 Corinthians 13:4

• Destroys you Proverbs 14:30, Ecclesiastes 4:4-8

We all look somewhere

• Out: someone...something James 3:16, 2 Corinthians 10:12

• In Galatians 4:4-5

• Up Galatians 4:5-7

"Who do perfect parents compare their children to?"

Becoming a loving person

Matthew 25:14-30

God did not short change me

What I have is less important...it's what I do with what I have

Sooo...look to God

- I am loved...freedom to leverage what I have
- Celebrate what God has given others

The Daily Walk Bible reading for Jan 24-30-Exodus 16-34