

SPIRITUAL FRIENDSHIP

As preached on Sunday, September 8th

Read: Ecclesiastes 4:7-12

1. Have you spent much time in the book of Ecclesiastes? Why or why not? Do you think this book has gotten a bad reputation undeservedly?
2. The author speaks of loneliness in v.8. What does he say? How does what he says relate to the concept of “crowded loneliness” that many experience in our culture today?
3. In vv.9-12 we are offered four distinct benefits of friendship. What are they?
4. Which of friendship’s benefits seems the most desirable to you?
5. It’s been said that “Christianity is a relationship with God and his people.” How can we be sure that we’re also cultivating relationships with other members of our church family?
6. Did you participate in a TRIO this past year? What was the best part of that experience? What was a challenging aspect?
7. Will you give TRIOs a try this year? What do you hope to gain from your participation?