



# RELATIONSHIP SERIES

dating ♥

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*This discussion guide is meant to provide group leaders with a framework to lead a gospel-centered discussion based off the T.O.D. Talk in the first week. This should be used to guide conversation and push the students closer to the Scriptures.*

## Week 1 OVERVIEW

**Series Summary:** We are created to be in relation with the people around us. Whether or not they follow Jesus we must learn how to navigate those relationships. Dating relationships especially, can get confusing and unclear in our culture today. As a follower of Jesus, we must unpack what it looks like to have healthy relationships that honor Jesus. In the first week of our dating conversation, we are going to look at the purpose behind dating. In the second week, we are going to be talking about what prioritizing Jesus in our relationships looks like.

**Main Idea:** As we unpack the dating relationship many people ask whether or not you should date in high school. We believe the answer to that question lies closer to the individual person and their relationship with Jesus rather than a specific age or time.

**Key Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 6:14-18; Exodus 20:1-6, Matthew 6:19-21

## DISCUSSION

### Getting Started

- What is dating anyways?
- Why do you want to date?

### Digging Deeper

- What qualities are you looking for in someone you want to date?
- Is dating going to bring you closer to Jesus or take you away from him? Why? Why not?
- Read Exodus 20:1-6. Discuss how dating relationships could become an idol in your life.
- Read Matthew 6:19-21 What are examples of treasures on earth? What are examples of treasures in heaven?
- Read 2 Corinthians 6:14-18. What does it mean to be unequally yoked? What are the dangers of dating someone who doesn't follow Jesus?
- What is the goal of dating? (Marriage)