

STAYING CONNECTED

Part 2: Making Adjustments

ADJUSTMENTS ARE PART OF LIFE

- All about adjustments
 1. Good teams make halftime adjustments
 2. Good health requires adjustments
 3. Good relationships require adjustments (expectations)
- Staying connected to the Lord requires adjustments (***Acts 11:21-23 CSB***)
 1. God was doing great things
 2. But the believers were encouraged to remain true
 3. Staying connected is about our heart

A MAN WHO MADE ADJUSTMENTS

- A powerful man with a problem
 1. He was commander of the army of Syria
 2. But he had leprosy - incurable in his day
 3. Was willing to listen to a girl from Israel about a man who could heal him
 4. Made a significant trip but not empty-handed - glimpses into his character
- When things did not go as planned (***2 Kings 5:9-14 CSB***)
 1. Naaman did not get personal attention
 2. Was given a simple instruction
 3. This was not what Naaman expected
 4. But Naaman was willing to listen to people with less status
- Another adjustment by Naaman (***2 Kings 5:15-18 CSB***)
 1. He took the time to go back to Elisha
 2. He acknowledged God as the only true God
 3. He wanted earth from Israel to offer sacrifices to the God of Israel
 4. He did not want to offend God - shows his heart was right toward God

ADJUSTMENTS THAT KEEP US CONNECTED TO THE LORD

- Adjust away from anger
 1. Anger rarely pays off - anger at God never does
 2. Adjust away from anger with people (***Ephesians 4:26-27 CSB***) (***James 3:17 NLT***)
 3. Adjust away from anger with prayer - counteracts anger
- Adjust toward God
 1. Not just what God can do for you
 2. What can you do for God - how can you be pleasing to Him (***Colossians 1:10 CSB***)