Big Rocks – Relational Intimacy

Weekend Discussion Questions
May 3-4, 2014

Community:

1. What are the things about your house/apartment/condo that you absolutely love?
2. What are the things about your house/apartment/condo that you wish you could change?
3. What are the things about your house/apartment/condo that are non-negotiables—the place you live *has* to have these things (beyond the typical things like "a bathroom, a kitchen, etc.")?

Core:

1. Jesus is commonly referred to as the "Cornerstone". Why do people use that to describe Jesus?
2. How does our first value, Biblical Authority, relate to Jesus being the Cornerstone?
3. If you were describing our second value, Relational Intimacy, to a friend who wasn't familiar with Christianity, what would you say?
4. Read the story of Peter speaking to a crowd in Acts 3:1-21, and answer a few questions:
    a. How is the value of Relational Intimacy with Jesus demonstrated in Peter's speech?
    b. What does Peter mean when he says "Faith *in the name* of Jesus"?
    c. What does Peter mean when he tells the people to repent?
5. Now read about the people's response in Acts 4:1-22, and answer a couple questions:
    a. How is the value of Relationship Intimacy with Jesus demonstrated here?
    b. What changed in Peter to go from sellout, idiot disciple to courageous and captivating speaker?
6. Read John 14:6. How does this verse show Jesus as a "sanctuary" to those who believe but a "stumbling stone" to those who don't?

Challenge:

1. How do we apply the value of Relational Intimacy to:
    a. Our church?
    b. Our families?
    c. Ourselves?