



Swim in Schools

Series: Hooked

Scripture: Proverbs 27:6,17

Every temptation competes with a greater invitation from God.

- Getting hooked isn't _____.
- You and I are only going to be as _____ as the _____ that we _____.

Major benefit of healthy relationships: _____ and _____

- _____ friendships lead to _____
- _____ friendships provide _____ and _____.
- Developing these are not _____.
- Takes _____, investment, _____.

Instructions to develop deeper relationships:

- _____ relationship with _____.
- Romans 5:10-11
- _____ your friends to _____ you.
- Who has _____ to be _____?
- Proverbs 27:6
- Proverbs 27:17
- We must be _____ and _____ our _____.
- _____ with your friends what you _____ from God.
- John 15:12

Start Talking.

- What is one quality you value most in a close friendship?
- Have you ever had someone give you difficult but needed truth? How did you respond?
- Which illustration stood out to you most from the sermon—the walking together analogy, the fishing secret analogy, or something else?

Start Thinking:

- Pastor Troy said, “We’re only as sick as the secrets we keep.” Why do you think secrecy gives temptation so much power?
- Why is it often easier to hide struggles than to ask for help?
- How does viewing God as a friend who wants the best for you change the way you approach temptation and confession?

Start Sharing:

- When you’re struggling, do you tend to isolate yourself or seek support from others? Why?
- Do you currently have one or two trusted people who know your struggles and can speak truth into your life? If not, what makes that difficult?
- Which of the three steps do you most need to grow in right now?
 - Deepen your friendship with God
 - Invite friends to challenge you
 - Share with others what you've received from God

Start Praying:

- Pray that God would deepen your friendship with Him this week.
- Pray for the courage to be honest about struggles instead of hiding them.
- Pray that God would provide trustworthy friendships marked by truth, grace, and accountability.

Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week

- Spend intentional time with God each day this week through prayer and Scripture.
- Identify one trusted believer you can be more honest with about temptations and sin.
- Encourage or check in with a friend this week who may need support, prayer, or accountability.

Challenge for the Week:

Don't fight temptation alone. Take one step toward deeper community by having an honest conversation with someone you trust and inviting them to help you stay on course.