

Royal Redeemer CGS Community Discussion Guide

Based on the sermon for Sept. 30-Oct.1, 2017:
Friending: Swipe Right



(For use as an opening Devotion, use only the highlighted portion)

- **Begin by sharing a high and/or a low from your week**

- **Connect**

- Who would have been your closest friend at age 16 and what is one thing you appreciate about that friend?

- **Grow** (read this passage aloud and listen for words or phrases that speak into your life now)

19 Therefore, brothers and sisters, since we have confidence to enter the Most Holy Place by the blood of Jesus... let us draw near to God with a sincere heart and with the full assurance that faith brings, having our hearts sprinkled to cleanse us from a guilty conscience and having our bodies washed with pure water. 23 Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful. 24 And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, 25 not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another—and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Hebrews 10:19-25

- Share any words or phrases that speak into your life today.
- How does your faith impact your friendships for better or for worse?
- How has social media impacted your friendships for better or for worse?
- Who is an encourager for you?
- What gets in the way of your having closer friendships?

Reflect on the following quote: *True friendship can afford true knowledge. It does not depend on darkness and ignorance.* -Henry David Thoreau

- Who knows you best?
- What might you do to be more transparent in your relationships?

- **Serve**

- What friend have you lost touch with? How might you reach out this week?

- **End with Prayer and the Lord's Prayer**