Introduction:

Principle #1: It all begins with God

10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.

Proverbs 9:10 (NIV)

5 If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

James 1:5 (ESV)
God’s Wisdom for Building Great Relationships (Part 1)

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Practice:

I want God to make His _________________ my _________________ for relational guidelines.

I want to ______________________ everything I read through Your Spirit.

Through Your Spirit, give me clear ______________________ from Your Word.

Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.
Making God’s Word your handbook for relational guidelines:

- If you are single 1 Corinthians 7
- If you are married Ephesians 5
- If you are a parent Deuteronomy 6, Ephesians 6
- If you are married to an unbeliever 1 Peter 3
- If you are divorced Matthew 5, Matthew 19, 1 Corinthians 7
- If you are in a business The book of Proverbs
Discussion Questions:

1. Why does building great relationships need to begin with an accurate understanding of God?

2. From James 1:5, what does God promise to give us if we ask Him?
   
   Are there any conditions?

3. Why is using the Bible important to building great relationships?

4. If we neglect God’s Word, is there another way to gain God’s wisdom?