Sunday, May 10, 2026 Bill Smith

Experience Thick Relationships Now

Psalm 68:6

1. What does relational brokenness look like?

2. What does God do about it?

3. What gets in the way of what he's doing?

4. What lets us enter into what he's doing?

Discussion Questions:

1. How have you experienced—or are experiencing now—being cut off and isolated from other people?
2. Sometimes I'm so thankful for my friends that I forget that God's the one who's given them to me—they become so big in my world that I forget that if I'd been born 50 years later or 50 miles away, then we would probably not have even crossed paths. God's the one who arranged for us to be in each other's lives. That's true for you and your friends too.
    a. How often have you thanked God for deciding to give you the friends that you have?
    b. How often have you thanked him for deciding the makeup of his church—his family that you're part of?
    c. Are there other people that God seems to keep putting in your life who you haven't tried getting to know yet?
3. Without sharing names, are there people in God's family that you've decided to avoid?
    a. What about them have you found difficult or unlikeable?
    b. What would it cost you to let the Holy Spirit convict you that your attitude toward those people is not right?
4. How does being united in Christ's resurrection—both you and the Christians you struggle with—affect you?
    a. How does that union help you think about what those other people will be like one day?
    b. How does that union help you rely on the Spirit as you relate to them now?
5. Take some time to pray asking the Lord things like, "How do I need to treat my sibling who's also united to you? What would you have me do to love them?"