

Intimacy and the Formation of Our Souls

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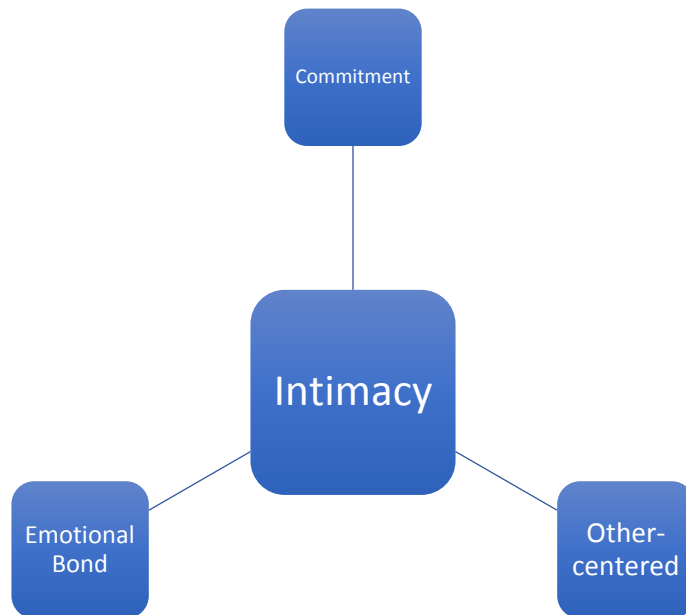
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What does it mean to be in “relationship” with God? (Genesis 3)

Intimacy—Access and Affect, trust found in loving relationships

Love—commitment, emotional bonding, other-centeredness—creates space for intimacy

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Intimacy is a space for relationship—intimacy is bilateral, love is unilateral John 15:5

Intimacy is a *safe* space for being known and accepted, without judgment Ps 119

Intimacy is presence/mindfulness

Sex and intimacy

The “sacred object”

True Intimacy emerges from the ashes of love