

Day 2 – Situationship: Undefined Isn't God's Design

Scripture: *"For God is not the author of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints."* — **1 Corinthians 14:33**

Devotional

If there were a word that perfectly describes modern relationships, it might be **situationship**.

It's one of the newest terms in our culture, but it has quickly become one of the most common.

You're talking every day...

You spend time together...

You care about one another...

Maybe you've even met each other's families.

But no one knows exactly what you are.

No commitment.

No direction.

No definition.

Just... a situationship.

One person assumes the relationship is moving forward while the other refuses to define it. One hopes for forever while the other keeps every option open. One invests emotionally while the other stays conveniently noncommittal.

The result is almost always the same:

Confusion.

You wonder where you stand.

You replay conversations in your head.

You analyze text messages.

You overthink silence.

You question your worth because someone else's actions don't match their words.

Sound familiar?

The truth is, situationships don't only happen in dating.

Many of us live in spiritual situationships with God.

We want His blessings without surrender.

His promises without obedience.

His protection without trusting Him.

His peace without giving Him control.

We say we belong to Him, yet we keep Him at arm's length whenever He asks us to let go of something we're holding onto.

We've become comfortable living in the gray.

But God has never called us to live in uncertainty with Him.

When God speaks, He speaks clearly.

When He loves, He loves completely.

When He forgives, He forgives fully.

When He commits, He commits forever.

There's nothing casual about God's love.

Romans 8:38-39 reminds us that nothing can separate us from the love of Christ. Nothing.

Not failure.

Not distance.

Not yesterday's mistakes.

Not today's struggles.

Not tomorrow's fears.

His commitment never changes.

Think about how exhausting confusion can be.

How many sleepless nights have people spent wondering:

"Why haven't they called?"

"Did I say something wrong?"

"Do they even care?"

"Where is this relationship going?"

We burn enormous amounts of emotional energy trying to interpret mixed signals.

Yet you'll never have to decode God's intentions.

He has already declared them.

He loved you enough to send His Son.

He pursued you before you ever pursued Him.

He chose you before you chose Him.

The cross settled forever how God feels about you.

That's not a situationship.

That's covenant love.

The enemy thrives in confusion because confusion creates fear, insecurity, and doubt.

God brings clarity because clarity produces peace.

That doesn't mean every decision in life is easy.

It means that when you seek Him, He faithfully directs your steps.

Sometimes clarity comes in unexpected ways.

Sometimes God's answer is "Yes."

Sometimes it's "No."

Sometimes it's "Wait."

But even waiting with God is different than waiting on people.

God's delays always have purpose.

People often delay because they're uncertain.

God delays because He's preparing something greater than what we can currently see.

There are also relationships we keep alive simply because we're afraid to let go.

Maybe it's someone who only contacts you when it's convenient.

Someone who continually breaks your trust.

Someone who pulls you further from Christ instead of closer to Him.

We convince ourselves things will eventually change.

Maybe.

Maybe not.

But here's an important question:

If the relationship has kept you confused for months—or even years—is it producing the peace that God desires for your life?

Peace doesn't always mean life is easy.

It means your heart is settled because you're walking in God's will.

Anything that consistently pulls you away from His peace deserves careful evaluation.

Jesus never chased people who didn't want Him.

He invited them.

Loved them.

Served them.

But He never begged anyone to stay.

Sometimes the healthiest thing we can do is release people into God's hands and trust Him with the outcome.

Not every relationship is meant to last forever.

Some people enter our lives for a season.

Others become lifelong companions.

The wisdom comes in knowing the difference.

As your relationship with God grows stronger, you'll begin to recognize relationships that reflect His character—and those that don't.

His peace becomes your filter.

His Word becomes your standard.

His love becomes your example.

And suddenly, confusion loses its power.

Reflection Questions

- Is there a relationship in my life that consistently produces confusion instead of peace?
- Am I settling for less than God's best because I'm afraid of being alone?
- Are there areas where I'm treating my relationship with God like a "situationship" instead of a full commitment?
- What step of obedience is God asking me to take today?

Prayer

Father, thank You that I never have to wonder where I stand with You. Your love is constant, faithful, and unchanging. Forgive me for the times I've accepted confusion when You were offering peace. Give me wisdom to recognize relationships that honor You and courage to let go of those that don't. Help me stop chasing what You've never intended for me and instead pursue You with my whole heart. Teach me to trust Your timing, Your guidance, and Your plans. Let my life be marked by the peace that only comes from walking closely with You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Today's Challenge

Take a few quiet moments today and make two columns on a piece of paper.

Column 1: Relationships that consistently bring peace, encouragement, and draw you closer to Christ.

Column 2: Relationships that regularly bring confusion, compromise, or distance from God.

Ask the Lord for wisdom. Then take one practical step today toward strengthening the relationships in the first column—or setting healthy boundaries with those in the second.

Today's Truth: *God never leaves me guessing. His love is committed, His Word is clear, and His peace is always available to those who draw near to Him.*