

# WELCOME TO HAVEN

Welcome

Worship Songs

*"Desert Song"*

*"Be Still"*

Scripture for Today

*Acts 3:3-7 (NIV)*

Prayer

Message

*"Relationship Vampires: Needy Suckers"*

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Offering/Worship Song

*"No Other Name"*

\*Closing



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# RELATIONSHIP VAMPIRES

DEALING WITH PEOPLE WHO SUCK THE LIFE RIGHT OUT OF YOU

## RELATIONSHIP VAMPIRES

## NEEDY SUCKERS

- Relief: Immediate & temporary \_\_\_\_\_
- Restoration: working with people to restore them to their \_\_\_\_\_

## HOW DO WE HELP WITHOUT HURTING?

## 1. We \_\_\_\_\_

*"One day Peter and John were going up to the temple at the time of prayer — at three in the afternoon. Now a man crippled from birth was being carried to the temple gate called Beautiful, where he was put every day to beg from those going into the temple courts. When he saw Peter and John about to enter, he asked them for money. Peter looked straight at him, as did John. Then Peter said, "Look at us!" So the man gave them his attention, expecting to get something from them. Then Peter said, "Silver or gold I do not have, but what I have I give you. In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, walk." Taking him by the right hand, he helped him up, and instantly the man's feet and ankles became strong." He jumped to his feet and began to walk. Then he went with them into the temple courts, walking and jumping, and praising God."*  
– Acts 3:1-8 (NIV)

- Prayer: "God, help me give people what they truly \_\_\_\_\_ not just what they \_\_\_\_\_"

## 2. We \_\_\_\_\_

*"Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"*  
– Mark 1:35-37

- Prayer: "God, help me realize i can't say " \_\_\_\_\_ " often if I don't say "no" occasionally"

## 3. We \_\_\_\_\_

*"Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.<sup>8</sup> Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life."*  
– Galatians 6:7-8

- Prayer: "God, help me stay out of your way by not continually \_\_\_\_\_ people from their \_\_\_\_\_"

*"But as for me, I am poor and needy; come quickly to me, O God. You are my help and my deliverer; Lord, do not delay."*  
– Psalm 70:5

- Prayer: "God, help me to remember that I am in \_\_\_\_\_ too & you are always the \_\_\_\_\_"