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July 28, 2019
Sermon Notes
"RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET"
JOHN 4:16-18

I. Changing relationships

- A. Change is the breeding ground of _____.
- B. In the movie, Ralph and Vanellope have been best _____ for the past 6 years.
- C. Insecurity is a state of self-doubt that arises from _____ to others.

II. Insecurity alert

- A. The first sign of insecurity is _____.
- B. The second sign of insecurity is _____.
- C. The third sign of insecurity is _____.

III. Antivirus solution

- A. Eventually, insecurity will not just affect one relationship in our lives, it will affect _____ aspects of our lives.
- B. A better way than fear is _____.
- C. _____ is the way you bridge the gap between fear and love.

Things I would like to remember about this message:

Asbury Daily Study Guide

INTRODUCTION

6 years after Wreck It Ralph, Ralph and Vanellope are now life-long best friends. Their lives couldn't be more perfect, until Vanellope's game, Sugar Rush is broken and unplugged. But luckily, thanks to the newly installed WI-FI router in the arcade, Ralph and Vanellope now embark on an adventure to find a Sugar Rush steering wheel and save Vanellope's game. But on their journey, Vanellope discovers a new place she would like to call home and it causes some insecurity in Ralph which strains their relationship. In the end, there is only one thing he can do.

Monday: I Samuel 18:1-5

After David kills Goliath, he becomes best friends with King Saul's son Jonathon. Their friendship would be tested over the years because Jonathon's father would try and kill David and it would start a civil war. But through it all, David and Jonathon remained friends. How do you respond when circumstances change in your friendships?

Tuesday: James 3:13-17

In this letter, James tells us that jealousy and selfish ambition do not come from God. Have you ever struggled with jealousy in a relationship? If yes, how did it affect the relationship?

Wednesday: I Corinthians 13:4-8

In this passage, Paul starts off with positive affirmations about what love is. But the rest of the passage is about what love isn't. I think Paul knew that if we were left to our own devices we would act out of fear. And when we did, we would be envious, boastful, and arrogant. Do you have a tendency to act out of fear in your relationships instead of love?

Thursday: Proverbs 3:1-6

In the message on Ralph Breaks the Internet, Pastor Eric said that "A better way than fear is love. But it's not always easy to do." We close the gap between fear and love with trust. Trust like love is something we must choose. Do you have difficulties with trust in your relationships? If yes, how does that affect your relationships?

Friday: Joshua 1:9, Matthew 6:34, Isaiah 41:10

Over and over again we are reminded in scripture to not fear the future. However, change seems to be the breeding ground of fear. When we fear change it leads to us trying to control the situation and others. Do you struggle with the issue of control in your relationships? If yes, how does that affect your relationships?

MOVING FORWARD

Like Ralph, many of us struggle with inevitable changes that take place in our relationships. Unfortunately, change is the breeding ground for fear. Once we give into fear, our insecurities manifest themselves in three ways – jealousy, clinginess, and control. The Apostle Paul tells us that there is a better way in our relationships – love. However, it's easier said than done. But if we want to bridge that gap between fear and love we must learn to trust in our relationships. That's what Ralph finally does at the end of our movie.

Answers to the sermon notes:

IA) fear, B) friends, C) comparisons.

IIA) jealousy, B) clinginess, C) control.

IIIA) all, B) love, C) Trust.