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John 2:13-25

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- **As a royal priesthood, how can we keep from entrusting ourselves to others while still maintaining appropriate connection with others in the body of Christ?**