Discussion Questions

LifeGroups



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Sermon Series: Endurance: Fuel for the Journey

Sermon Title: Love

Sermon Text: Galatians 5:22-23

Bottom Line

God love you unconditionally! God does not love you because you are so valuable, you are valuable because God loves you unconditionally! When you learn to accept and enjoy God's unconditional love for you and then love him and others the same way, you will be healed and become a healer!

Scripture

Galatians 5:22-23

22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.

Psalm 1:1-3

1 Blessed is the one
who does not walk in step with the wicked
or stand in the way that sinners take
or sit in the company of mockers,
2 but whose delight is in the law of the Lord,
and who meditates on his law day and night.
3 That person is like a tree planted by streams of water,
which yields its fruit in season
and whose leaf does not wither—
whatever they do prospers.

Gratitude, Prayer and Accountability

What happened this past week that you are grateful for? What would you like to prayer for today? How did God work in your life since the last time we were together? What is He doing through you as it relates to your Adopt 7?

Let's Start

In his sermon this weekend, Pastor Dale challenged us to imagine what life might look like if we were consistently loving people. Who are some of the most loving people that

you have engaged with in your life? What stood out about these people that made you consider them to be so loving?

Let's Talk

- 1. Read Psalm 1:1-3. What does this Psalm teach us is a fruit producing agent in our lives? How does this agent produce fruit in us? How have you seen it produce fruit in you?
- 2. There is a second fruit producing agent that Pastor Dale spoke about this week. It's found in Galatians 5:22-23. Read these verses. Who is the One who produces fruit according to these verses? How have you seen this Agent produce fruit in you?
- 3. Read Galatians 5:19-21. How does this list compare to the list in verses 22-23? How does the flesh go about creating these characteristics in us?
- 4. How would you define love?
- 5. Pastor Dale said that "love is a commandment that is followed by a commitment." Marriage is one of the best pictures of this. What are some other ways that we see love as "a commandment followed by a commitment" in our society?
- 6. Read Matthew 22:35-40. What does this passage teach you about Jesus? What does it teach you about humanity? What does it teach you about the law?
- 7. Read 1 John 4:7-8. What does this passage teach us about love? How does this passage encourage you? How does it convict you?

Let's Act

God's people have always been characterized as people who love God and love others. Making disciples is one of the byproducts of a life that is marked by this kind of love. This week, let's pray for our Adopt 7. Let's pray for God to show us specific ways that we can reach out with love to the world around us. Let's pray that this would be a week of great spiritual growth for our group as it relates to love.

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