

The Priority of Love!

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A Biblical Worldview of Love

1. Love **starts** with God.
 - a. He makes love **possible**.
 - b. He makes love **personal**.

2. Love is **extended** through believers.
 - a. Love is a **sign** of true faith.
 - b. Love **motivates** the believer to actively pursue a life of love.

Point: Love is the most tangible **expression** of God.

Deal with Your Blind Spots!

1. Blind Spots #1 **Justifying** yourself! (Luke 10:25-37)

2. Blind Spot #2: All **talk**, no **walk**! (1 John 3:18)

3. Blind Spot #3: Love at the expense of **truth**! (John 8:7-11)

Questions

1. Read 1 John 4:7-11 and talk about (or write down) why loving others is weaved into the fabric of what it means to be a child of God.
2. Why do you think love so important to God?
3. What blind spot from the message resonated with you? Can you think of other blind spots that Christians may have?
4. Can you think of practical ways you can love others that don't think or behave the same as you without compromising truth?
5. What was your biggest take-a-way from the message this morning?

Next Steps: May Reading Plan (Week 3)

Day One: Dan. 5-6

Day Two: Dan. 9-10; 12

Day Three: Ezra 1-2

Day Four: Ezra 3-4

Day Five: Ezra 5-6

Bless Every Home

Challenge:

- Sign up to be a light.
- Prayer for your neighbors.
- Think about how you can build a relationship with your neighbors.
- Act

May Scripture Memory:

2 Continue steadfastly in prayer, being watchful in it with thanksgiving. 3 At the same time, pray also for us, that God may open to us a door for the word, to declare the mystery of Christ, on account of which I am in prison - 4 that I may make it clear, which is how I ought to speak. 5 Walk in wisdom toward outsiders, making the best use of the time. 6 Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer each person.

-Col. 4:2-6 (ESV)

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