

Sermon Discussion Guide
"Love"
September 13, 2020

Opening/Introduction

1. What did you find most challenging, helpful, or troubling in the sermon this week?

Read John 13:34-35

2. How is the commandment to love one another a new commandment?
3. What is the model of our love for one another?
4. What is the trademark of being a disciple of Jesus? If we don't love one another, what does that say about our relationship to Jesus?

Read 1 John 4:7-12 (ESV translation)

5. What does it mean to be "beloved"? Why is that important to John's teaching here regarding love?
6. Summarize verses 7-8 in your own words.
7. How did God make his love known to us?
8. How does John describe love in verse 10? Why is this important?
9. What is the basis of our love towards others?

Application/Understanding

10. What Bible stories illustrate the theme of love?
11. What examples can you give from your own cultural context or history that illustrate the power of love to prove the truth of the gospel, for example, in the reconciling of enemies?

Prayer

Share any praises, burdens, or concerns you have with the group. Spend time praying for one another. Continue to pray for each other throughout the week.