

'By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.' John 13:35 NIV

Jesus followers would _____ their devotion to God by putting the person _____ to them in _____ of them

'Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death—even death on a cross!' Philippians 2:6-8 NIV

Because _____ loved them _____.

Question #5 The relationship question.

What does love _____ of me?

'Love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, gentleness, faithfulness, and self-control.' Galatians 5:22 NIV

'Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.' 1 Corinthians 13:4-6 NIV

Love works to _____ the relationship.



SMALL GROUP SERMON DISCUSSION

1. How does the world define love?
2. How do you define love?
3. Read John 13:33–35. What key phrases stand out to you and why?
4. Why is the relationship question so demanding?
5. Read Galatians 5:6. Why does Paul say this, and do you agree with him? See also 1 Corinthians 13:1-3.
6. Read Philippians 2:6-8. How does this challenge the worlds' view, your view of love?
7. What does love require of me? When you ask yourself that question, what relationship comes to mind? Why?
8. Read Galatians 5:22 and 1 Corinthians 13:4-6. Discuss practical ways we can do this in our lives. What difference would it make in our current relationships if we were to take seriously these verses and actually put them into practice in our daily lives and relationships?

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