

Key thought: God's church should have a place of deep appreciation and affection in your heart. *Where does this affection and appreciation come from?*

I. A biblical view of the church rooted in the gospel!

You are in a covenant relationship with God!

You are in covenant community with God's people!

II. An abundant love rooted in the gospel!

A. Relationship (Connect)

1. Revealed in unity
2. Expressed in diversity

B. Partnership (Grow/Serve)

1. Discipleship
2. Mission

Take away: (verses 17-27)

A word of caution (17-18)

A word of celebration (19-27)