

# PERSPECTIVE

## ADULTS & STUDENTS DISCUSSION GUIDE

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**LOVE: WHEN YOU LOVE LIKE GOD LOVES, YOU WILL DISPLAY THE RIGHT ATTITUDE TOWARD OTHERS AND UNIFY BELIEVERS.**

**- COLOSSIANS 3:14 -**

### DISCUSS:

- WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE LOVE SONG OF ALL TIME? IF YOU HAD TO GIVE A DEFINITION TO THE WORD "LOVE", WHAT WOULD IT BE AND WHY?
- WHAT ARE YOUR TOP 3 PRIORITIES IN LIFE RIGHT NOW? READ 1 CORINTHIANS 16:14. HOW SHOULD THE REALIZATION OF GOD'S LOVE FOR US EFFECT THESE PRIORITIES?
- PASTOR DARRYL SHARED, "IF YOU WANT TO LOOK LIKE JESUS, YOU HAVE TO LEARN TO LOVE HIS BRIDE [CHURCH]...MANY PEOPLE USE THE CHURCH BUT DO NOT LOVE IT." IN WHAT SPECIFIC WAYS DO YOU SEE THIS TO BE TRUE?
- READ COLOSSIANS 3:14. ACCORDING TO OUR PASSAGE, WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN HOW WE OFTEN DEFINE LOVE AND GODLY "AGAPE" LOVE? HOW IS THIS LIKE A GARMENT?

### APPLY:

- ACCORDING TO OUR PASSAGE, GOD'S LOVE IS THE EXAMPLE TO FOLLOW. READ EPHESIANS 2:1-5 AND ROMANS 5:8. WHAT DO THESE VERSES REVEAL ABOUT WHO WE ARE AND HOW GOD HAS LOVED US? HOW DOES THIS RELATE TO HOW WE SHOULD LOVE OUR ENEMIES? GIVE AN EXAMPLE.
- READ MATTHEW 5:44 AND 22:37-40. WHAT IS THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LOVING YOURSELF AND ARROGANCE? HOW DO WE PROPERLY LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS AS OURSELVES? GIVE AN EXAMPLE.
- ACCORDING TO PASTOR DARRYL, WHEN YOU LOVE, YOU BUILD AND STRENGTHEN UNITY AMONG BELIEVERS. WHAT ARE 3 SPECIFIC AND TANGIBLE WAYS THAT WE CAN LOVE ONE ANOTHER AS A CHURCH COMMUNITY? WHAT ABOUT LOVING THOSE OUTSIDE OF OUR COMMUNITY? WHATS YOUR PLAN TO DO THESE THINGS?
- IF YOU ARE HONEST, WOULD OTHERS SAY THAT YOU ARE A FOLLOWER OF JESUS PURELY BASED UPON HOW YOU LOVE OTHERS? IN WHAT WAYS HAVE YOU BEEN CHALLENGED TO LEAVE YOUR COMFORT ZONE TO LOVE SOMEONE WHO ISN'T LIKE YOU?

### PRAY TOGETHER:

- PRAY FOR ONE ANOTHER: (1) TO SEE THE BROKENNESS IN OUR WORLD AND STILL HAVE AN ATTITUDE OF LOVE FOR THE PEOPLE. (2) TO ALLOW OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST TO TRANSFORM HOW WE LOVE OURSELVES, OUR CHURCH, AND OUR ENEMIES.

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