

“Loving One Another Without Hypocrisy” 2/03/19

1 Peter 1:22-25

Sermon Series- *“Living for the Glory of God in a Hostile World”*

Big Idea- Since we are claiming to be consecrated to God and because we have a new nature, we are to deeply love our brothers and sisters without hypocrisy.

Review- Because of our great salvation we should: 1) prepare our minds; 2) be sober; 3) fix our hope on His grace (1:13); 4) not be conformed to our previous lusts (1:14); 5) Be Holy (1:15); 6) conduct our lives here in Fear (1:17); and 7) Love one another (1:22).

Four Greek words for “Love”- 1) *Eros*- passionate/romantic; 2) *Philia*- friendship or loyal love; 3) *Storge*- family relationships; 4) *Agape*- love without reciprocity

LESSON 1- We are called to deeply love one another because of our CLAIM

- A. We have consecrated ourselves to God by obeying the TRUTH
(need to be saved- Gospel; 1 Pet 4:17; John 17:17- All of God’s Word)
- B. Our new claim brings with it a genuine desire for BROTHERLY LOVE
(Romans 12:9- no hypocrisy; 1 Thess 4:9; John 21:15-17; James 2:20)
- C. We are to love one another from a pure heart that STRETCHES US
(**John 13:35** “as Jesus loved”; 15:13 “no greater love”; Lev 19:18)

Going *God wants us to love because He has given us a new PLACE!*

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Loving the body is serving the body as Elder, Deacon, teacher, helper, or feeding, clothing, comforting, encouraging, visiting, befriending (no cliques that exclude).

LESSON 2- We are called to deeply love one another because of our CHANGE

- A. We were passive in our new births and were given a new NATURE
(John 3:3-5; Col 3:10; 1 John 3:9; Romans 5:5; Titus 3:5; Ezek 36:26-27)
- B. Our new spiritual birth contrasts with the old DEAD WAY
(Rom 3:10-18; Eph 2:1-3; Prov 14:12; Gal 5:19-23; **1 Cor 12:31**)
- C. The new change brings power/transformation and is message of GOOD NEWS
(Isaiah 40:1-10; Message of Victory over tribulation- John 16:33)

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(Read the epistle to 1 John this week)

Our Vision- Striving to be Disciples who make Disciples