

LOVE ONE ANOTHER

"Happy Valentines Day"

John 13: 34-35 "34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

How do we make the idea of love a dominating characteristic of our lives?

I. Make loving others a _____.

- A. 1 Cor. 13:3 "And if I donate all my goods to feed the poor, and if I give my body in order to boast but do not have love, I gain _____."
- B. So this is not a _____ area, we are supposed to love. It is a priority.

But why love? What makes it so important?

II. Understand the _____ of love

- A. Jesus said that "All the _____ and the Prophets depend on these 2 commands" (Matt. 22:40). Love God, Love others.
- B. Paul goes on to tell us "Love does no wrong to a neighbor. Love, therefore, is the _____ of the law" (Rom. 13:10).
- C. God established love as the _____ behind obedience.

III. Personify the _____ nature of love

- A. When we exhibit Christian love, it separates believers from the rest of the _____.
- B. God's plan was to develop a people that reflected His _____.
And what is his character? Love.
- C. Christian love is the best _____ that the church has.

IV. Demonstrate the _____ of love

- A. God loved us not because we had something to _____ Him, but rather because He had something to offer us.
- B. "To love is to be _____."

Conclusion

In the end, the goal of the Christian life is love. The measure of our maturity is our love for God and our love for others.