Love No Matter What

1 Corinthians 13:1-8

If we want to bless the Father's heart, we have to love each other well

- **Anything minus Love is nothing (1 Corinthians 13:1-8)**
- **Love can grow cold (Matthew 24:12)**
- **Jesus taught and walked in love**
- **Accept one another as Christ accepted you (Romans 14-15)**

FOR FURTHER REFLECTION

- Continue our 30 Days of Renewal in the month of June – www.forcey.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Renewal-June-2020.pdf
- Use the fasting resources at www.dayandnight.org/fast
- Meditate on 1 Corinthians 13:1-8 and consider how the Lord may want to grow your love.
- Meditate on 1 John 4:7-21.
- Read this article on Christian Liberty - https://www.ligonier.org/blog/4-principles-exercise-christian-liberty/
- Read this helpful study of righteous anger - bible.org/seriespage/14-righteous-anger-ephesians-426-27
- Reflect further on the song "Run to the Father" - vimeo.com/430900882

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

1. What stood out to you most from the message?
2. Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-3. What strikes you most about the idea that without love, we have nothing?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-8. Which quality can you specifically commend in someone else that you are with or that you can think of? Which quality do you believe you most need to grow in?
4. Read 1 John 3:16. As you think of Jesus' example in laying down his life, what other examples do you see in the world today where people are laying down their lives for others?
5. Read 1 John 4:16-21. What stands out to you in these verses? In your own words, explain what it means that "God is love."
6. Jesus ministered to zealots, tax collectors, Samaritans, Gentiles, centurions, lepers, and so many more characters. Which character do you think the people of his day were most surprised to see him love, and why? And what do you learn from that?
7. Read Romans 14:1-3. In what areas today might we be tempted to judge other believers about things even though God has already accepted us? (Remember, these are not doctrinal issues, but areas the Scriptures don't address directly)
8. Read Romans 10:13. What are some ways in which we might cause a brother or sister to stumble if we are not careful?
9. Read Romans 15:7. While standing firm in our doctrinal beliefs and biblical values, what are some ways we can grow a culture of acceptance in our church?
10. What is one specific thing you can aim to do this week in response to the word you have heard?