

Sermon Discussion Guide

Love Your Neighbor

The Time Barrier

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Big Idea

Time is one of the biggest enemies to our relationship with Jesus and to loving our neighbors.

Icebreaker

Describe (soup to nuts) what your favorite meal is. When did you first experience it & who made it?

Discussion Questions

1. Read Luke 10:38-42. What have you found yourself “fussing over” that distracts, or has distracted you, from Jesus &/or loving your neighbor? Why is that (i.e. who are you trying to please or what are you trying to accomplish)? What is something you could do to remedy this?
2. If someone were to look at how you spend your time, what would they say you prioritize? Has your prioritization of loving God and loving others increased over time, decreased over time, fluctuated over time, or become stagnant? What has led to this? How can you grow in doing what God says matters most (Loving Him, Loving Others)?
3. In the sermon it was mentioned, “*before we can feed others, we have to take the time to feed ourselves*”. This was in relation to our intentionality to sit at Jesus’ feet to pray to & learn from him. What does doing this look like for you? What are steps you need to take to ensure you are beginning there consistently?
4. It was also stated in the sermon that, “*we must learn to say “no” to the good things so we can say “yes” to the most important things*”. When have you done that and what was the result? Where do you need to do that currently?
5. Love is spelled T-I-M-E! As we think about the “E” (eat with them) in the BLESS strategy, who is someone (a neighbor) that you need to and will intentionally break the time barrier for this week in order to love? What will you do & how will you do that?

Concluding Question

Being consumed with perfectionism (providing, speaking, or acting in a perfect way) is an enemy to taking actions of love. Do you suffer in some regard from this, if so, how? What has this prevented you from doing? What were 2 lies the sermon touched on regarding perfectionism? How does identifying them as lies & replacing them with the truth help you overcome the barrier of perfectionism?

Application

1. What do you think the Holy Spirit may be saying to you through this sermon and our discussion?
2. What is something God wants you to do now?
3. Is there a way we can help each other apply what God is showing us?

Prayer

- Help me/each of us re-prioritize so that we can do what God has commanded us to do
- Continued investments in God’s Kingdom via further commitments to the Heart Check Campaign