

**Learn to Love
Relationships – Part 3**
Life Church St. Louis – April 22, 2018
Lead Pastor – Dr. Dan Walker

1 John 4:19 (ESV) *We love because he first loved us.*

1 John 4:20-21 (ESV) *If anyone says, “I love God,” and hates his brother, he is a liar; for he who does not love his brother whom he has seen cannot love God whom he has not seen. And this commandment we have from him: whoever loves God must also love his brother.*

Luke 10:27 (ESV) *And he answered, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind, and your neighbor as yourself.”*

1. Love by _____

1A. Open up your _____

Luke 10:33 (ESV) *But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was, and when he saw him, he had compassion.*

1B. Care as _____ cared

Mark 6:34a (ESV) *When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd.*

2. Love by _____

Luke 10:34a (ESV) *He went to him ...*

2A. Take the _____

1 John 3:18 (ESV) *Little children, let us not love in word or talk but in deed and in truth.*

2B. Go as Jesus _____

Philippians 2:4-7 (ESV) *Let each of you look not only to his own interests, but also to the interests of others. Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who ... emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men.*

3. Love by _____

Luke 10:34 (ESV) *He went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he set him on his own animal and brought him to an inn and took care of him.*

3A. Meet the _____

Proverbs 3:27 (ESV) *Do not withhold good from those to whom it is due, when it is in your power to do it.*

3B. Give as Jesus _____

1 John 3:16 (ESV) *By this we know love, that he laid down his life for us, and we ought to lay down our lives for the brothers.*

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading & prayer.
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
- Invite a friend for our message series **Relationships** next Sunday.
- How will I obey God's Word this week? _____

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Intro. How would you define love? How does our culture define love?

How is the agape love described in the Bible different from how love is defined in our culture?

What does 1 John 4:19 tell us about love?

Why is loving fellow believers the evidence of loving God (1 John 4:20-21)?

Explain what the Great Commandment in Luke 10:27 requires of believers (see also Matthew 5:43-44).

1A. What does it mean to have compassion on someone (Luke 10:33)?

1B. What triggered Jesus' compassion in Mark 6:34?

1C. What are some common impediments to truly caring about other people?

2A. Why is compassion for another's need not enough (Luke 10:34a)?

2B. What does 1 John 3:18 teach us about love?

2C. How did Jesus provide us an example of love (Philippians 2:4-7)?

2D. What are some ways you can take the first step to understanding other's needs in the various areas of your life?

3A. What did showing love cost the Samaritan (Luke 10:34)?

3B. What temptation does Proverbs 3:27 warn us against?

3C. What does it mean to "lay down your life" (1 John 3:16)?

3D. How can you take time to show love to new friends at church, work or school?