Reference: 1 Cor. 13: 1-13 April 4-9

INTRODUCTION

We will be spending the next few weeks examining what our relationships should look like as Christians. This week in particular we will be talking about how love has to be the foundation of every relationship we are in.

ICE BREAKER

What makes you feel the most loved by someone? (Ex: Gifts, Quality Time...)

QUESTIONS

- 1) Why do you think our society has so many relational problems?
- 2.) Pastor John taught us on Sunday that Love Purifies all other Relationship Goals. Read 1 Cor. 13: 1-3, what does Paul state should be the foundation of our relationships? What do you think is meant by this?
- 3.) Pastor Rick Warren stated that "Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up! It's better to have a right heart than it is to have a right head... the world is not looking for more knowledge; the world is looking for love." How might our conflicts look different if we strive to be right in relationship rather than right in an argument?
- 4.) Pastor John also taught us that Love Produces all other Relationship Goals. Read 1 Cor. 13:4-7, Paul makes it abundantly clear that Love is an action and a choice. What actions does Paul say that we should choose to do?
- 5.) With this idea in mind, what are some actions and choices you can make to love those in your life as God told us to?
- 6.) Lastly Pastor John taught us that Love is the permanent relationship goal. Read 1 Cor. 13:8-13, what is the one thing that doesn't pass away in life? Think about how many things in life change, how have you seen this to be true in your own life?
- 7.) With everything we have talked about this week, how can you better love those in your life? Think through your co-workers, family, spouse and friendships.