



SALEM
SMALL GROUPS

#RelationshipGoals

Reference: 1 Cor. 13:1-4a

4/11-15

INTRODUCTION

This week we will be talking about how loving people requires us to be patient and kind toward them. We will also discuss how to grow these virtues in our relationships

ICE BREAKER

What is your biggest pet-peeve?

QUESTIONS

- 1.) Read 1 Cor.13: 4, Paul states that love is patient. Why do you think that a loving relationship requires patience?
- 2.) Pastor John told us that impatience is due to misunderstandings based on wrong assumptions. One of the assumptions he mentioned is that "I can figure out your motives". How can this wrong assumption lead you to be impatient with others?
- 3.) Pastor John mentioned that one of the reasons we are to be patient with others is because of God's great patience with us. Read 1 Tim. 1:16, how have you seen God's patience in your life?
- 4.) Pastor John challenged us instead of asking God to change our family, friends and coworkers; ask God to change your level of patience with them? Who do you need to ask God to grow your patience towards?
- 5.) Read 1 Cor. 13:4 again, Paul tells us that love is kind. Pastor John told us that our love should empower kindness towards others. Who in your life has best embodied what it means to be kind? What was it about them that made you choose them?
- 6.) Pastor said that kindness or people building requires 4 parts: Challenge Giving, Truth Telling, Confidence Instilling and Credit Surrendering. What part of this process do you find most difficult to do in relationships?
- 7.) Remember we are kind to others because of the great kindness shown to us by God. Read Rom. 2:4; with the kindness of God in mind, who in your life do you need to be kinder to? Practically how will you do it?