

Real

Week 4

9/27/26

Romans 12:9-21

Real Life: Sincere Love

**I. Barna asked, "What causes you to doubt Christian beliefs?"**

**II. Our community is watching the way that we live.**

**III. There is a gap between what Jesus taught and how we live.**

**IV. If Jesus had His way, what kind of people would we become?**

**V. Paul's Letter to Rome**

A. The church is messy.

B. God loves them.

1. Romans 1:7

2. Romans 5:8

3. Romans 5:5

4. Romans 8:34-39

**VI. "Love must be sincere."**

A. God is working to make us people of sincere love.

1. No actors. Not theatre.

2. Love is to will and work for the good of another person.

**VII. "Honor one another above yourselves."**

A. Our example is the Trinity - Father, Son, Spirit

1. Matthew 3:16-17

**VIII. "Never be lacking in zeal..."**

**IX. "Be joyful in hope..."**

**X. "Share" and "Practice Hospitality"**

**XI. "Bless and do not curse"**

**XII. "Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn."**

**XIII. "Do not be proud..."**

**XIV. "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good."**

**XV. Reflection Questions**

A. Do you want your life and your relationships to be marked by this kind of sincere love?

B. How would the people who know you best say you are loving sincerely?

## **LIFEGroup Questions**

1. Who has loved you sincerely? What did that look like?
2. Which line of Romans 12:9-21 stood out to you the most? Why?
3. What does it mean for you to "Hate what is evil; cling to what is good"?
4. Where is there a gap between what Jesus is teaching and the way you are living? Confess that to each other and pray for each other.