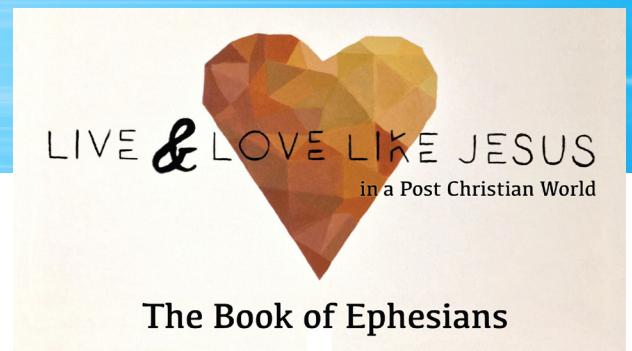


Discussion Questions

March 5, 2023

Ephesians 4:32 - 5:2

Live a Life of Love, Just Like Jesus



1. Read Ephesians 4:32-5:2

What is the standard given of the kind of forgiveness and love they are to show?

Discuss more about the kind of love Christ loved us with described in verse 2. How far did Christ go?

In what ways is this a "fragrant offering and sacrifice to God" as verse 2 says?

2. Read Revelation 2:1-5.

Discuss why you think Jesus is so strong in rebuking a church who appears to be doing so well in holding onto truth, fighting against false teaching, and enduring persecution.

3. Discuss where you can identify with the church of Ephesus in losing track of loving others as Christ loved us, while still pursuing knowledge and truth, etc.

4. Discuss why, extrapolating from Jesus' words, we can say, "It is better for the church to not exist, than to not walk in loving one another."

What does that mean for us as body at Northview Community Church?

5. Discuss some practical take aways of what it looks like for us to imitate Christ today? Use specific examples.



Ephesians 4:32-5:2

Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you. Therefore be imitators of God, as beloved children. And walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Acts 4:13 (NIV)

When they saw the courage of Peter and John and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus.

1 John 2:5-6 (NASB 2020)

By this we know that we are in Him [Christ]: the one who says that he remains in Him ought, himself also, walk just as He walked

1 John 2:6 (The Message)

Anyone who claims to be intimate with God ought to live the same kind of life Jesus lived.

Revelation 2:2-3 (NIV)

I know your deeds, your hard work and your perseverance. I know that you cannot tolerate wicked people, that you have tested those who claim to be apostles but are not, and have found them false. You have persevered and have endured hardships for my name, and have not grown weary.

Revelation 2:4-5 (NLT)

*But I have this against you. **You don't love me or each other as you did at first!** Look how far you have fallen! Turn back to me and do the works you did at first. If you don't repent, I will come and remove your lamp stand from its place among the churches.*

John 13:34-35 (NIV)

A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

1 Corinthians 11:23

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."