

SERIES: The Beauty of Becoming

TITLE: The Most Important Virtue

SPEAKER: Pastor Kip McCormick

PASSAGE: John 13:31-38; I Corinthians 13:1-8a;

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MESSAGE TAKEAWAY

When faced with a difficult decision, choose love.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Did you have a nickname growing up? What was it?
- In Matthew 22:34-40, what did Jesus say was the greatest commandment? His answer about the greatest commandments came from two different Old Testament Scriptures. So why do you think Jesus said He was giving His disciples a "new commandment" in John 13:34-35
- How do the words "as" and "if" in these verses clarify the command to love?
- What does sacrificial love look like to you?
- Why do you think the Apostle Paul emphasized the problems of outward displays and actions done without love in 1 Corinthians 13:1-3?
- How is love described in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8a?
- Pastor Kip said he had read that passage by putting his name in wherever the word "love" or "it" is. As you read your name in those verses, which is easier for you, and which is the hardest?
- Pastor Kip said that Jesus always responded to people in love. He gave three ways that Jesus did that: a) He walked away from confrontations, b) He set healthy boundaries and limits, and c) He spoke the truth in love. Which one of these do you feel you want to respond more like Jesus in your life?

NEXT STEPS

Look for a difficult situation this week where you can choose to show love.

