

w/b 11th June 2017

1 JOHN 4:7-12 Loving Others

INTRODUCTION

On Sunday we looked at the source of authentic love. The verses we looked at describes how “God is Love”. This study considers what that really means and how we can have faith to love in the same sacrificial way.

LAUNCH

1. There are times that the bible seems to contradict itself. Can you spot this in these verses?
2. Why do you think that John commands us to love but also says that authentic believers will automatically love anyway?
3. Describe the most loving person you know. What makes them so loving?

DISCOVERY AND UNDERSTANDING

4. Read John 17:24 – What do these verses mean to you?
5. In what ways do you think you can grow in sacrificial love?
6. How is God’s love perfected in us? (Verse 12.)
7. Read - Hebrews 4:12 – How does this verse help us?

APPLICATION

8. Are there any areas in your life where you are finding it difficult to love in a sacrificial way? You may not want to share this publicly but spend some time reflecting.
9. Verse 12 tells us that God lives in us and His love is made perfect in us.
Prayer for the Holy Spirit to come and fill us all to be more loving as a church.