

PERSONAL REFLECTION GUIDE

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- What main point from the sermon stood out to you? What did the Holy Spirit convict you of or encourage you with?
- **Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-13:13.** Based on these verses, what is happening in the church at Corinth? What message is God – through Paul – communicating?
- What word or idea is repeated most throughout chapter 13?
- In verses 1-3, what kinds of impressive, spiritual things are mentioned?
- In verses 4-7, what does love do? And not do?
- In verses 8-13, what is described as temporary? What is lasting?
- Chapters 12 and 14 are about spiritual gifts. Why do you think Paul places this chapter here?
- What point is Paul making, saying that spiritual gifts without love are “nothing”?
- How is biblical love in this chapter different than how our culture defines love?
- Which description of love in verses 4-7 is hardest to live right now? Why?
- Which description of love comes most naturally for you?
- How does the gospel give you hope in your failure to love people as Christ does?
- Why might it be a good thing that spiritual gifts are passing away (v 8-10)?
- Are you more tempted to be “right and gifted” or “loving”? How so?
- How would your relationships change if love guided your actions this week?
- Is there a specific person God may be calling you to love more patiently and sacrificially?
- What is one practical step you can take this week to “put on love” (as Paul says in Colossians 3:14)?
- Based on this passage or the sermon, what is one step of obedience the Holy Spirit is leading you towards this week?

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FAMILY DISCUSSION GUIDE

Southland Church is committed to helping parents raise the next generation of disciples who KNOW Christ, LIVE like Him, and make Him KNOWN. This guide is meant to help you as a family, particularly those over 12 years old, to discuss the Sunday sermon. You can do this in an evening devotion or over lunch after service.

A few tips to get started: (1) Make this a phone-free conversation. You and your family put the phones away, except for the person who looks up the Scriptures. He/She would read the passage and then put his/her phone away. (2) Set the pace for how vulnerable to be. If you give a shallow answer, you are more likely to get a shallow answer from your kids. (3) Do not feel like you have to ask all of these questions. Just focus on having a good honest discussion.

Open with prayer, asking God to lead you to know more about Christ and live like Him.

- What stood out to you from the sermon this week as challenging or encouraging?
- What's a movie, song, or social media moment that claims to be about "love" but doesn't really match what love is?
- **Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-13.** What word or idea is repeated the most through this chapter?
- In verses 1-3, what impressive or "churchy" things does Paul mention?
- In verses 4-7, list the things that love does. List what it does NOT do.
- Which description of love stands out to you the most? Why?
- Why do you think Paul says that even good or spiritual things don't matter without love?
- How is the kind of love described here different than what your friends or movies say about it? How is it different than dating someone?
- Why do you think Paul ends the chapter by saying that love is the greatest?
- If you had to summarize this chapter in one sentence, what would you say?
- Which description of love is hardest for you right now?
- Where do you struggle the most to show love right now – family, school, team?
- What would it look like to choose to love when someone annoys or hurts you?
- What is one thing God wants you to do or believe from these passages or the sermon?

Ask if there is some way you can pray for your family members, and then close in prayer.

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