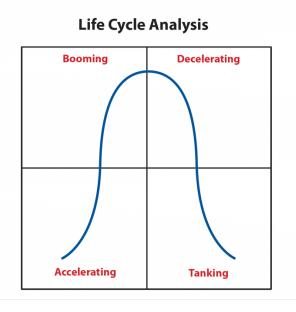
#### **Overflowing Love**

1 Thessalonians 3:11-13 October 8, 2023 | Jon Chasteen, Lead Pastor at Redemption Hill Church in Medford, MA



**1 Thessalonians 3:11-13** | 11 Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, 12 and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, 13 so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

### I. Trust that God is Sovereign over Satan's Schemes (v. 11)

## II. Overflow in Love for Others both Inside and Outside the Church (v. 12)

**1** John 4:7 | Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.

**Philippians 2:12–13** | 12 Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling, 13 for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

**1 Thessalonians 4:9–10** | 9 Now concerning brotherly love you have no need for anyone to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another, 10 for that indeed is what you are doing to all the brothers throughout Macedonia. But we urge you, brothers, to do this more and more,

John 13:34-35 | 34 A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. 35 By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.

# III. Your love for others results in a holiness that makes you blameless as Jesus' return (v. 13)

**Romans 13:8-10** | 8 Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. 9 For the commandments, "You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet," and any other commandment, are summed up in this word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." 10 Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law

**Galatians 5:13-14** | For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. 14 For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

**1 Thessalonians 5:9–10** | 9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, 10 who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him.

**Philippians 1:9-11** | 9 And it is my prayer that your love may abound more and more, with knowledge and all discernment, 10 so that you may approve what is excellent, and so be pure and blameless for the day of Christ, 11 filled with the fruit of righteousness that comes through Jesus Christ, to the glory and praise of God.

# Ask God daily to produce in you an abundance of love for everyone around you.