

**Why The Church Should Be a Community.  
Psalm 68:6**

*“He puts the lonely in families.” (NLT)*

**“God sets the solitary (lonely) in families.” (NKJV)**

**John 17:20–23 ESV**

*<sup>20</sup> “I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.*

**The Great Commandment: Matthew 22:34-40**

<sup>34</sup> But when the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together. <sup>35</sup> And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. <sup>36</sup> “Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?” <sup>37</sup> And he said to him, “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. <sup>38</sup> This is the great and first commandment. <sup>39</sup> And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. <sup>40</sup> On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

**LOVE GOD WITH YOUR...**

	ASPECT	BLOCKS
HEART	Feelings: emotions	Fear, Anxiety, Panic, Anger, Rage, Insecurity, Shame, etc.
SOUL	Desires	Power, Prestige, Possessions, Other
MIND	Thoughts	Discouragement, Disillusionment, Depression, Irrational Beliefs, Lies,
STRENGTH	Habits	Addictions, Compulsions, Obsessions, Poor Habits,
NEIGHBOR	Relationships	Dependency, Unhealthy Boundaries, Abandonment, Rejection, Impropriety,

		Selfishness
YOURSELF	Self-esteem and Self-Respect	Worthlessness, Shame, Fear, Negative Self-Talk



### Understanding Love

- Love is a \_\_\_\_\_. We love because He \_\_\_\_\_ loved us.
- Love is a \_\_\_\_\_ that leads to a \_\_\_\_\_

- Love is an \_\_\_\_\_ and not simply an \_\_\_\_\_.
- Love is a \_\_\_\_\_ that you get better at as you practice loving.
- Love is a \_\_\_\_\_ and can become second nature for you.

1. We were created for \_\_\_\_\_ and to love \_\_\_\_\_.

a. Love for God is always linked to love for others; How we treat others is the evidence of the \_\_\_\_\_ of our faith.

2. We were created for \_\_\_\_\_; fellowship with God and others.

a. We need fellowship at \_\_\_\_\_ (family). More than living under one roof with little to no connection.

b. We need fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_.

c. We need fellowship with a \_\_\_\_\_ of faith.

d. We need fellowship with \_\_\_\_\_, through His Son, imparted by the Spirit.

3. We were created to love others \_\_\_\_\_ of the Body of Christ.