Sermon: Contending for Community

Message # 15 2 Corinthians 13:1-10

Seaside Community Church November 15, 2020

Growth Group Discussion For the week of November 15, 2020

Contending for Community Healthy Examination

2 Corinthians 13:1-10

Getting started...

Some healthy questions to think about...

Jeremiah 17:9-10; Psalm 139:23-24; Galatians 5:22-25

Am I actively putting others first?

1 Corinthians 13; Philippians 2:3-11

How is my inner dance?

Acts 2:28; Psalm 9:1-2

Do I experience a calm interior?

Isaiah 26:3-4; John 14:27; Philippians 4:6-8

How do I respond to the <u>flaws</u> or <u>differences</u> of others?

Ephesians 4:2; Matthew 7:1-5

Do I practice <u>sacrificial</u> generosity?

Luke 10:25-37

Will I keep showing up?

1 Corinthians 4:1-5

Am I known for my tender touch?

Isaiah 40:11; 2 Timothy 2:24-25

Are there excessive behaviors that run my life?

Connect

How will Holiday 2020 be different in your family?

Reflect

What touched you the most from Sunday's message or 2 Corinthians chapter 13?

Explore

1. Despite being repeatedly provoked, Paul was a model of restraint and patience with the unruly Corinthians (for example, 2 Corinthians 9:3-5 & 13:10). In this, he followed the Lord's example (see Luke 6:35-36 and 1 Peter 2:21-23). How does this help you in dealing with difficult people?

2. In 2 Corinthians 13:5, Paul emphasizes the importance of testing ourselves to see if we are conforming to Jesus' teaching. What are healthy and unhealthy ways of self-examination?

Next week scriptures: 2 Corinthians 13:11-14

3. Paul's overall theme in his letters to the Corinthians is that a diverse group of believers – Jew/Greek, male/female, rich/poor, slave/free - should be able to live together in love. How is this possible?

4. Contending for community requires effort and care. Describe one or two ways that you can help preserve community at Seaside despite differing viewpoints and opinions.

After this week, Growth Groups will take a break for the holidays.

Seaside Finances			
Weekly Goal	\$22,195	Monthly Goal	\$95,500
Received Last Week	\$89,658	Received in Oct	\$80,875

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Great Things

Verse 1

Come let us worship our King Come let us bow at His feet He has done great things See what our Savior has done See how His love overcomes He has done great things He has done great things

Chorus

O Hero of Heaven You conquered the grave You free every captive and break every chain O God You have done great things We dance in Your freedom awake and alive O Jesus our Savior Your name lifted high O God You have done great things

Verse 2

You've been faithful through every storm You'll be faithful forevermore You have done great things And I know You will do it again For Your promise is yes and amen You will do great things God You do great things

Bridge

Hallelujah God above it all Hallelujah God unshakable Hallelujah You have done great things (REPEAT)

You've done great things

Ending You have done great things O God You do great things

Lead Me To The Cross

Verse 1 Saviour I come quiet my soul Remember redemption's hill Where Your blood was spilled For my ransom

Pre-Chorus
Ev'rything I once held dear
I count it all as loss

Chorus
Lead me to the cross
Where Your love poured out
Bring me to my knees
Lord I lay me down
Rid me of myself
I belong to You
Oh lead me lead me to the cross

Verse 2
You were as I tempted and tried human
The word became flesh
Bore my sin in death
Now You're risen

Bridge
To Your heart
To Your heart
Lead me to Your heart
Lead me to Your heart

The Blessing

Verse
The Lord bless you
And keep you
Make his face shine upon you
And be gracious to you
The Lord turn his
Face toward you
And give you peace

Chorus Amen Amen

Amen

Bridge
May his favor
Be upon you
And a thousand generations
And your family
And your children
And their children
And their children

Bridge
May his presence
Go before you
And behind you
And beside you
All around you
And within you
He is with you
He is with you

Bridge
In the morning
In the evening
In your coming
And your going
In your weeping
And rejoicing
He is for you
He is for you

Tag He is for you He is for you

Do It Again

Verse 1
Walking around these walls
I thought by now they'd fall
But you have never failed me yet
Waiting for change to come

Knowing the battle's won For you have never failed me yet

Chorus
Your promise still stands
Great is your faithfulness
Faithfulness
I'm still in your hands
This is my confidence
You've never failed me yet

Verse 2
I know the night won't last
Your word will come to pass
My heart will sing your praise again
Jesus you're still enough
Keep me within your love
My heart will sing your praise again

Bridge
I've seen you move
You move the mountains
And I believe
I'll see you do it again
You made a way
Where there was no way
And I believe
I'll see you do it again

Ending
You've never failed me yet
I never will forget
You've never failed me yet
I never will forget