

Agape Fellowship
5/17/2026- Pastor Zach
1 John 4:7-21, John 3:16 Luke 6: 32-35

Connect: Did you have a spiritual mentor growing up or do you have one now? What have you learned from them? If you have not had one what is preventing you from having one?

Engage: It is good to reread 1 John 4:7-21.

What stuck out to you in this passage? Do you know someone like Pastor Vaughn who modeled agape love? What did that look like in their lives?

John who was the beloved disciple of Jesus wrote about the most vital aspects of faith and know Christian truth. One of the most important Christian truths in having agape love.

Zach shared 3 points concerning agape love

Agape love means attachment / affection / action

Agapetoi – loved ones.

#1 Christian love is a gift and identity.

- a. God chose to love you because He created you.
- b. Real spirituality leads us to deeper love. It is a gift.
- c. Have you found your identity in something else?
- d. Have you really in your heart, mind, soul believed that you are loved period?
- e. We need to become little agape toys. How does that look like in your life?
- f. Where have you demanded transactional love?

#2. Agape love is upside down reciprocity.

- a. Vs. 10 God has done something on my behalf to be loveable.
- b. Jesus paid our debt, the kindness of presence and the gift of the Holy Spirit.
- c. How do you love? Do you love in order to get something or do you just love because God loved you.
- d. How have you experienced unconditional love?
- e. How would people know you are a child of God? Do your arms look different?

#3. Agape (Love is a fruit)

- a. There is no way that you can short circuit fruit.
- b. You cannot force it – It is God's spirit to produce fruit
- c. How do you love your enemies?
- d. Are you holding some resentment toward someone, what does that look like to let go of that resentment?

Apply: What is the invitation for you this week? Are you a person of love to others around you? Are you a person who shows love to your enemies?

