

**FAMILY FIRST**  
***We Love by...Welcoming One Another***  
**Romans 15:1-7; 16:1-16**  
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**SHARING THE SAME DNA:**

*And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit whom he has given us. (1 John 3:23-24)*

**WHY DO WE NEED TO TALK ABOUT THIS?**

*Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the churches of Christ greet you. (Romans 16:16)*

- We all need love and \_\_\_\_\_.
- The Contemporary Church has become an \_\_\_\_\_ venue.
- We are missing an opportunity to \_\_\_\_\_ in God's work.

## **WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER means...**

*Greet one another with a holy kiss. (Romans 16:16)*

- \_\_\_\_\_ out
- Active \_\_\_\_\_
- Showing genuine \_\_\_\_\_

## **WELCOMING ONE ANOTHER requires us to...**

*We who are strong have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to build him up. For Christ did not please himself, but it is written, "The reproaches of those who reproached you fell on me" ...May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. (Romans 15:1-7)*

- Look past the things another does that are \_\_\_\_\_.
- Set aside our own \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

- Let Jesus love people \_\_\_\_\_.
- Place a first priority on \_\_\_\_\_ God.

**NEXT WEEK IN FAMILY FIRST:  
We love by...encouraging one another  
(1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Hebrews 10:24-25)**

**Legend:**

We all need love and acceptance.

The Contemporary Church has become an impersonal venue.

We are missing an opportunity to participate in God's work.

Reaching out

Active acceptance

Showing genuine regard

Look past the things another does that are offensive.

Set aside our own wants and needs.

Let Jesus love people through us.

Place a first priority on glorifying God.

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