**Title**: Fruit that is Always in Season: Love

Text: Galatians 5:13-26

Introduction:

Where are we going?

Reconnecting Church Community: We want to Grow, Gather and Go...Together How do we reconnect?

- 1. God calls us together (vv. 13-15)
- Christ frees us from slavery to live in the freedom of grace
- Pursuing religion vs. pursuing relationship with Christ
  - Matthew 11:28-30 Galatians 5:13
  - I Peter 5:7 Galatians 6:2
- The highest call of God on our lives is to love one another
- 2. Our flesh tears us apart (16-21)
- Galatians 5:15
- 3. The Holy Spirit empowers us
- "Let the HS guide your life"
  - Yield- (v. 16)
  - o Discipline (v. 24)
  - Follow the Spirit's leading (v. 25)
  - Live Humbly with others (v. 26)
- 4. Our love defines us (22-23)
- Love: joy, peace, patience...
- Each of the fruits of the Spirit is a manifestation of love.
- The highest pursuit of life is the love of God.
  - o I John 4:10
  - o John 13:35
  - o I Cor. 12:27-13:13