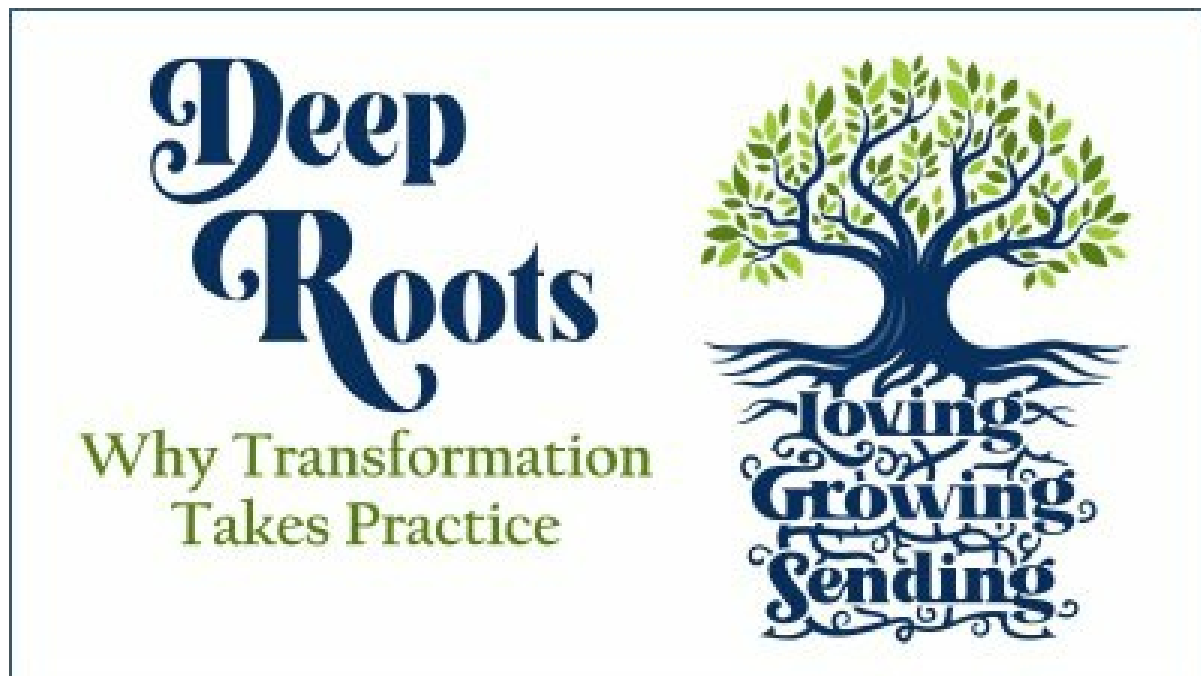


# Deep Roots: Love Well

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This morning we look at the greatest commandment in all of scripture: to love others. As Jesus speaks with his disciples in John, he tells them to “go and bear fruit” by loving one another. In this sermon, Pat begins with a Christmas story, talks about a couple of kids who got to school, and gives two clear invitations for loving well from the story of Jesus in John 15.

Is it possible to love or be kind to someone without having Jesus as the center? Why does Jesus matter?

John 15:12-17

What do you think of when you hear the word “commandment?”

Can you think of a time in your life when God was your friend? Why does this relationship matter when it comes to understanding love?

The story of Conner and Christian. Who do you identify with most? Why?

“We love well when we see people and do something.”

What keeps us from seeing people?

Why is it so important for others to see love that “does” rather than just love that “talks?”

“We love well when we see people who don’t belong and create space.”

Can you think of someone or a group of folks who don’t think they belong?

Name something YOU could do to create space for someone to belong.