

# Sermon Discussion Questions

The Love Dance – Matt Slocum  
Sermon Text: Colossians 3:17-22

## AGENDA

- Allow people to arrive, talk, and snack – 15 min
- Thank everyone for coming. Open in prayer – 30 sec
- Worship – 5-10 min
- Icebreaker question – 10-20 min
- Discussion Questions – 35-45 min
- Prayer – 20-30 min

## INTRODUCTION

This week we continue our study in the book of Colossians. In this Father's Day message, we learn how both submission and love go together – they are complementary – in parallel. Let's take a deeper look and see what the bible has to say about this.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS (35-45 min)

1. Last week you were asked to reflect on your new nature in Christ—the Spirit of power, love, and self-control you have in Christ. You were also asked to come up with at least one tangible thing you could do during the week to work towards forbearance and/or forgiveness within a relationship in your life. Would you care to share about something you were able to do?
2. What was something new you learned this week during the message? Or maybe it was something you were reminded of?
3. What image comes to mind when you think of submitting or submission? How does this line up or contradict with what God has to say about submission? Do you think our definition of submission causes problems in our lives when we resist the call to submit to the Father?
4. What is love? How might you define it? How might the ways we use the word “love” complicate our understanding of what love really is? (ie. We love pizza. We love a person. We love ...).
5. How do love and submission work together? What is the best example of this “love dance” that we see? (John 3:16, 5:19)

## Icebreakers

Pick one of the icebreaker questions below and go around in a circle (starting with the leader) and have everyone answer. (If you have new members or guests have each person introduce themselves.)

1. If you could travel back in time, what is one piece of advice that your current self would give to your younger self?
2. Are you more of a cake or pie person? What is your favorite?
3. What is one thing you'd like to be remembered for?

## **APPLICATION**

Think this week about the “love dance” and how you can put the two steps into practice. Look for someone you can practice these dance moves on. Love them by putting their interests and well-being ahead of your own. Come back next week to tell us how you danced!

## **PRAYER (20-30 min)**

Ask for prayer requests. Pray that we will follow the example of Jesus and submit ourselves to others so that the love of the Father may flow through us.

## **COMING UP**

To join a small group, sign up at [vckceast.com](https://vckceast.com) or at one of the weekend services. Study materials are available to download on the church website (<https://vckceast.com>) or on the Facebook page.

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## **FINAL THOUGHT**

**Prioritize the interests and well-being of others above your own.**