

Relentless Love

Week 5

November 26,27, 2016

Main Point: As a follower of Christ – YOU are a carrier of life and hope to your world. Receive, Grow and Share this Hope that we have in Jesus Christ.

1. Relentless Love is not just a sermon series. The vision of Relentless Love is to guide our actions as we pursue the five-year vision for Cypress Church. What changes have occurred in your life as a result of learning and choosing to live Relentlessly for Christ?
2. Read 2 Corinthians 3:12. What is Paul reminding us to do? Because our hope is in Christ, we are called to live boldly. How could you live boldly for Christ?
3. Name a time /times in your life that hope has gotten you through your day?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-10. When you were a child, what were your treasures? Did you hide them? If so, where?
5. Read 2 Corinthians 4:7-10(again) and 2 Corinthians 4:16-18. How are these verses encouraging to you? As Christ followers, God is entrusting us to be carriers of life and hope to the world. How do see this playing out in your everyday world?
6. There were 3 actions steps for us to take as we pursue a Relentless Love life. What will be your next step? What do the following steps look like for you in your personal walk with Christ?
 - a. **Receive** this hope in Jesus Christ.
 - b. **Grow** in this love and hope in Jesus Christ.
 - c. **Share** it by loving and serving others.
7. Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-13. Think of a person that has truly loved you. What were some ways that he/she showed you true love, as shown in these verses?
8. The definition of love, defined in 1 Corinthians 12:1-13 do you most need to work on? Choose one that you could accomplish this week. How would that change your life and others around you?
9. What is one relentless action that you will take this week to grow closer to the heart of God? What is one act of kindness that we can do to show God's relentless love?

Random (acts of kindness)

Invite 1 neighbor over for dinner

If someone is moving into your neighborhood, bring them dinner/gift card/toilet paper/the list is endless etc.

Rake someone's leaves

Put trash cans away for your neighbor

Shovel a neighbor's driveway (the snow will be here soon)

Pay for someone behind you in line

Babysit your neighbor's kids – for free

Host a neighborhood game night

Volunteer at a local school.

Clean up a park near by

Give mugs with cocoa mix to your neighbors

NOW – talk with your group/family about other ways you can be Jesus to your world. You may also go to cypresschurch.tv/serve.

Daily Prayer Points and Scriptures

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The Difference Relentless Love Makes

1 Corinthians 13:13 And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

Daily Prayer Points and Scriptures:

Sunday – Pray for the spiritual territory of Cypress to be increased so generations may come to a deep, meaningful relationship with our Savior. Luke 19:10

Monday – Pray for opportunities to demonstrate Christ's love through actions and in truth. James 1:19-27

Tuesday – Pray for wisdom and leading, to share generously with those in need, what the Lord has blessed you with. Matthew 6:1-4; Acts 20:35; 1 Timothy 6:17-19

Wednesday – Pray for visitors of our church to sense the love and compassion of Christ, expressed through our worship and friendship. James 2:1-4

Thursday – Pray that God’s word would be delivered with clarity through our current technology and pray for future expanded media opportunities. Matthew 7:7; Jeremiah 29:11

Friday – Ask the Lord to search your heart and reveal to you his better way as you turn from any possible disobedience and ask for the help to obey him completely and follow him fully for the sake of those who come behind you. Psalm 139:23-24

Friday, Fast Day! Every Friday during these days, commit to fasting one meal and take that time to pray and listen to what God may have to share with you through his Word and by his Spirit. Matthew 6:16-18

Saturday – Ask God to show and help you and our church do something never done before, and the only way it will be accomplished is through complete reliance on him. Ephesians 3:20

Prayer is communion with God whereby God knows he can change us. Thank you for participating in this effort to unify our hearts and minds for God’s greater glory and his will to be done on earth as it is in heaven.