

Weird

Week four - "Weirdly Connected"

John 13:35, 1 John 4:7-21, and Romans 12:10

Bottom line: As people, we are flawed, sinful, incompatible, and yet weirdly connected.

- 1. Let's dive right in what are some of your most difficult relationships? What makes them so difficult?
- 2. How do we handle the tension between people being incompatible and yet needing one another?
- 3. How do you resist needing other people? How do others resist needing you?
- 4. Jesus said the world would know we were following him by how we love one another. Why is loving one another the way Jesus showed us so **weird** in our world today? Why does it stand out when we do it?
- 5. Read 1 John 4:7-21
  - a. How does John describe and define love?
  - b. What's the difference between saying "love is love," and saying that "God is love"?
  - c. How is it impossible for us to truly love apart from God?
  - d. How does God make it possible for us to love one another?
- 6. What do you think about the idea of a submission competition?
- 7. How would a submission competition change the dynamics in some of your relationships this week? Where can you start?