Patience Change Agent Galatians 5:22-23 10/18/2020 Dr. Steve Brown

Notes:

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS:

Icebreaker: When is your patience tested the most?

Have everyone spend time reading **Ephesians 4:1-3; Colossians 3:12-13; 2 Peter 3:8-9, 15** quietly to themselves. After a few minutes, either have one person read the passage for the group or have each person take turns reading a portion until the entire passage has been read.

Sermon Observation Questions

- 1. Was there anything from this past week's sermon that stood out to you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that confused you? Explain. Was there anything from the sermon that invoked an emotion? If so, what was it?
- 2. Observations about this passage: Who was the audience or the characters? What does this passage tell us about sinful man? What do we learn about God or Jesus from reading this passage, and how does that impact the way we love people and love God?
- 3. What questions arise from reading this passage? Is there anything from this passage that sticks out to you personally? If so, what?

Life Application Questions

- 1. In Ephesians, Paul tells the church to be patient, among other directives, in order to live a life worthy of the calling they received. How does patience aid us in living out the calling Christ has put on your life? How does it impact that calling if we're not living in patience?
- 2. How has someone's patience for you brought about life and healing? Share how patience plays a role in disciple-making, helping us to bear with one another?
- 3. What type of frustrations can God's patience cause in our life? How is God's patience a benefit to us?
- **4. Next Steps**: What areas of life are you struggling to be patient in, and through Christ, what might be an appropriate action step to practice patience in that area?