

ROMANS 13:8-10

RADICAL LOVE

Big Idea: Following Jesus calls us to radical love that is sincere, affective, and done in response to God's love.

THE DEBT OF LOVE (Romans 13:8)

- In some ways, it seems like a departure when Paul goes from discussing civil obedience to loving one another. What does Romans 13:8 have to do with Romans 13:1-7?
- Although this is one continuous thought, the heartbeat of this discussion is love. How can we live out our commitment to being good citizens in a way that is rooted in love?
- How is love a debt, and to whom should it be paid? (Romans 5:8)
- We can never pay back the debt we owe to God but in light of what we've been given – how do we love others?

THE DISTINCTIVE OF LOVE (Romans 13:8)

- According to John 13:35 – Jesus says our defining mark as Christians is love. We are told in today's text to love one another. How do we do that?
 - 1 Peter 4:7-8
 - Ephesians 4:32
 - Ephesians 4:2
 - 1 Corinthians 13:1-8

THE DESIGN OF LOVE (Romans 13:8-9)

- Why does Paul point to some of the Ten Commandments when referring to love fulfilling the law?
- How do you fulfill the law of God?
- How does God's love for you shape how you love others?