



At Last!
Lasting Love // Week 1
Pastor Tim Moore

Overview

We all have a picture of what love and relationships should look like, but that picture is often shaped more by culture than by God. This week, Pastor Tim reminded us that God is the source of love and that we were created in His image to live in relationship with Him and with others. Marriage doesn't make us whole. That's something only God can do, but from the beginning, God designed us for connection and covenant relationships.

Ice Breaker

What movie, TV show, or famous couple gave you an unrealistic picture of love or relationships growing up?

Read 1 John 4:7–8

- What stands out to you about the statement that “**God is love**” rather than simply saying God loves us?
- How might our relationships change when we look to God, not culture, feelings, or expectations, to define what love should look like?

Read Genesis 1:26–28

- What do these verses reveal about our identity and the relational nature of God?
- If we were created in God's image, how should that influence the way we approach and value our relationships with others?

Read Genesis 2:18

- God said it was “not good” for man to be alone. What does this reveal about our need for meaningful relationships and community?
- Where are you most tempted to try to do life alone, and what would it look like to intentionally invite others into that area?

Read Genesis 2:23–24

- What do you notice about Adam's response when God brings the woman to him?
- Verse 24 describes two people becoming “one.” What do you think this teaches us about God's intention for commitment and covenant in marriage?

Application

God designed us for connection with Him and with others. This week, identify one relationship you can intentionally invest in. What is one practical way you can listen better, encourage, serve, forgive, or simply be more present with that person?

Prayer

Heavenly Father, thank You for being the source of love and for creating us to live in relationship with You and with others. Help us recognize where culture has shaped our understanding of love more than Your Word, and teach us to love the way You designed us to love. Strengthen our marriages, friendships, families, and communities as we pursue relationships that reflect You. Amen

Upcoming Events:

- 9/13 – Circle Launch Sunday
- 9/13 – XYTH Worship Night
- 9/15-9/16 – 24 Hours of Prayer
- 9/21 – Welcome to the X Evening Edition

Resources:

- To request prayer: <https://thexchurch.churchcenter.com/people/forms/13150>
- To meet with a Pastor: <https://thexchurch.churchcenter.com/people/forms/534644>
- Financial Assistance, Sobriety Resources, grief support, and more: <https://thex.church/care/>

X Church Podcast: https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL8rUS49luWYwojA6eKIA_VuAO592ZYQgd