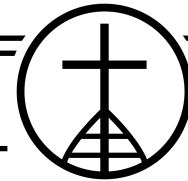


PULPIT CURRICULUM

The Marks of a Good Christian: Love

1 Thessalonians 4:9-12

March 24, 2024 – Adam Ashoff



Prayer & Praise: Pray for the Easter week ahead at HBC: concert on Thursday, Good Friday Service, and Easter Sunday. Pray for gospel opportunities throughout our community.

1: The Depth of Christian Love (vv.9-10)

When you think about God's love being written on your heart, "taught by God," how does that encourage you? Think back to your earliest memories as a Christian: how basic was it for you to know what it meant to love others?

A tight-knit, family-like love for other believers is a fundamental component of our faith. How have you experienced that in your life? What were some of the practical ways it was expressed?

2: The Length of Christian Love (v.11)

Though the specifics of the Thessalonians situation looks different than ours today when it comes to watching and waiting for the return of Christ, what does it look like for us to put into practice the three admonitions of v.11?

3: The Width of Christian Love (v.12)

How have you seen unbelievers react, positively or negatively, by the example of a Christian's work ethic?

What stories come to mind when you have seen the church coming to the aid of a needy brother or sister?

Mutual Ministry: When you think about your work, are there any areas where you are needing to excel still more?

What do the margins of your life look like in being available to help others in times of need?

"Nothing dries up sympathy and practical help more surely than a gossiping temper, which is perpetually buzzing about other people's concerns, and knows everybody's circumstances and duties better than its own."

Alexander Maclaren