

BASICS:

Back to and Beyond

Relationships

1/16/2022

OVERVIEW

Life is so much richer when we have community by our sides. John says, "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." As disciples of Jesus, we are to be both obedient to this and receive the blessing of loving one another. Will you open your heart to allow others in? Will others see Christ by the love you show?

Scriptures: John 13:1-5,12-17,34-35; 1 John 2:9-10,3:10,14,4:7

APPLICATION

- Jeremy shared numerous stories about how their community surrounded his family in their times of need. How have you experienced community surrounding you?
- Scripture gives us tangible ways we can love one another. Using the Scriptures below to back up your response, are you practically loving others, and how?

Be devoted to one another (Romans 12:10)	Be patient with one another (Colossians 3:13)
Honor one another above yourselves (Romans 12:10)	Be kind and compassionate to one another (Ephesians 4:32)
Live in harmony with one another (Romans 12:16)	Submit to one another (1 Peter 5:5)
Build up one another (1 Thessalonians 5:11)	Look to the interests of one another (Philippians 2:4)
Be like-minded towards one another (Romans 15:5)	Bear with one another (Colossians 3:13)
Care for one another (1 Corinthians 12:25)	Teach one another (Colossians 3:16)
Serve one another (Galatians 5:13)	Comfort one another (1 Thessalonians 4:18)
Bear one another's burdens (Galatians 6:2)	Encourage one another (1 Thessalonians 5:11)
Forgive one another (Ephesians 4:2,32)	Show hospitality to one another (1 Peter 4:9)
Pray for one another (James 5:16)	Confess your faults to one another (James 5:16)

NEXT STEPS

- Community often starts with you. Ask God to show you a group where you can get involved and where you can show Christ's love to others.
- Share one practical step you are going to take this week to be obedient to God's command to love others.