

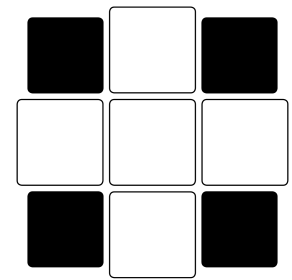
Gospel Affections

Scripture: 1 Peter 1:22–25

Series: Standing in Grace

Sunday, September 14, 2014

Corroborating Texts: John 13:35; Hebrews 1:1-3; Titus 2:11-14;
1 John 3:11-18



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Overview

The gospel saves us not just to love God but to love others as well.

Discussion Questions

1. What are some assumptions about the marks of a true Christian? [zeal, stoicism, wealth, social action, conservatism] What is the mark of a true Christian? [love; John 13:35]
2. What is “obedience to the truth?” [response in faith to the gospel, conversion: the truth calls and we respond] Is there someone who hasn’t shared their conversion story? Ask them to share it.
3. If our souls are purified, what does this mean about the natural state of our souls? [impure] Taking a posture of confession, how was your soul impure before conversion? How was your soul purified? [Jesus Christ]
4. If the identifying mark of the church is familial love for one another, how is that difficult to grip because of today’s dilapidated view of family? What are special challenges we face in a culture where family is more commonly broken and dysfunctional than not?
5. What simultaneously occurs at rebirth? [not just new relationship but new family] We are made to love the Church because it is family. What about church makes it difficult to love?
6. Why should we love the Church? [it is Jesus’ bride] Why is it unreasonable to not like the Church but to like Jesus?
7. What does real Christian love look like? [put others first, seek other’s good, ask/extend forgiveness, listen to each other, include others, be generous, be sacrificial, tell the truth, be in relationship with one another, encourage one another with the gospel, pray for one another] Let’s encourage one another with where we see each other excelling. Let’s confess and ask for encouragement on how to improve on one of these areas of loving one another.