

**Notes for: Understanding God's Love  
February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

Agape Love is \_\_\_\_\_.

For Christians the Origin of Agape Love is \_\_\_\_\_.

- 1 John 4:7-12

Luke 15:11-32

If we read this parable from the viewpoint of the older son, we will

\_\_\_\_\_.

If we read this parable with the viewpoint of the prodigal son, we will

\_\_\_\_\_.

**How do we show Agape Love as Christians?**

Luke 10: 25-37

To see how to show God's love, we need to stop \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

We need to realize that being a Christian isn't a \_\_\_\_\_.

We need to know that we too were once \_\_\_\_\_.

**What stops us from showing God's Love?**

Luke 18:18-25

Showing God's love must first start with our \_\_\_\_\_.

We will never be able to understand or show God's love, if our \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

We won't matter \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Corinthians 13: 1-13

Only God's love comes with a guarantee to \_\_\_\_\_ protect, \_\_\_\_\_ trusts,  
\_\_\_\_\_ hopes, \_\_\_\_\_ perseveres, and \_\_\_\_\_ fails.

Questions For Sunday and Wednesday's Night Discussions

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1. What is the best and worst Valentines gift you ever got?
2. Read 1 John 4:7-12. What type of love is described by John? Where does this love come from?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 13. How does the love as described in this chapter compare to love as typically defined in our culture today?
4. Of what Paul says love is, which one is the hardest for you to show?
5. Do you agree with verse 8? What makes it hard at times to agree with it, but why is it so important to us to do so?
6. Why does removing love from our speech, or actions, our sacrifices cause us to gain nothing?
7. Read Luke 15:11-32. Who do you relate to the most in this parable? In what ways can we see God's love? In what ways can we miss it?
8. Luke 10:25-37 is the story of the Good Samaritan. How should this teach us to show God's love?
9. Luke 18:18-25 is the story of the rich young ruler. Why was he unable to see and show God's love and give his life to Christ? What things in our lives put us in the same boat?
10. What is preventing you from seeing and sharing God's love with others? What can we do differently to have eyes of Christ and hearts full of God's love?