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Pastor Tim Wood - Renewing ourselves to the vision

It's about God and people: Relating to Others

1 Thessalonians 5:14-15

"And we urge you, brothers, warn those who are idle, encourage the timid, help the weak, be patient with everyone. Make sure that nobody pays back wrong for wrong, but always try to be kind to each other and to everyone else."

5 ways to develop a loving relationship with others

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Small Group & Personal Bible Study

Pastor Dennis Hadley

Memory Verses: John 13:34

"A new command I give you, Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another."

Discovery Bible Study Exercise:

In your journal or on a piece of paper make three columns and follow these steps:

- Step #1: Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15
- Step #2: Re-write in your own words 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15
- Step #3: Write down what you discover from this passage
- Step #4: What will you do to obey what this passage says?

Daily Meditation Readings:

Day 1 – John 13:34-35

Day 2 – John 15:12-17

Day 3 – 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

Day 4 – Colossians 3:12-17

Day 5 – 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15



Lesson: Relating to Others

1. According to the Bible passages in your daily reading this week, why should we love one another?
2. How does the world define relationships between people?
3. How would you describe a real love relationship with a person, as God defines it? How can that help us understand what Jesus meant in John 13:34-35?
4. Read 1 Thessalonians 5:14-15 again. Which of these directions do you find hardest to do in love?
 - Warn those who are idle
 - Encourage the timid
 - Help the weak
 - Be patient with everyone
 - Don't pay back for the wrongs done
 - Be kind to each other and everyone else