



SOLD-OUT SERVANTS

"Sincerely Loving God's People"

ROMANS 12:9-10

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9 Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
10 Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. (ESV)

1. Serve _____ (v.9)

2. Act _____ (v.10a)

3. Express _____ (v.10b)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Describe some of the subtle differences between selfless love and selfish love.
2. Read **1 Corinthians 4:4-5**. What are some situations in which God has made clear to you that your motives were not what they should have been, even though your actions may have been interpreted by others as loving?
3. Read **1 John 3:16**. What are some of the practical ways you can reflect a more sacrificial, Christlike love in your weekly interaction with your brothers and sisters in Christ?
4. Read **1 Corinthians 13:4-7**. What specifically can you do to express a more accepting, familial kind of love to those in your church?
5. List the names of two or three fellow CBC'rs to whom you will demonstrate a specific, sincere and meaningful expression of respect, admiration or honor.

The CBC Bible Reading Schedule for this Week:

Go to ESV.org (Reading Plans: *Through the Bible*) for schedule prompts.

February 6th

Ex.39-40 & Mt.24:1-22

February 7th

Lev.1-3 & Mt.24:23-51

February 8th

Lev.4-6 & Mt.25:1-30

February 9th

Lev.7-9 & Mt.25:31-46

February 10th

Lev.10-12 & Mt.26:1-19

February 11th

Lev.13 & Mt.26:20-54

February 12th

Lev.14 & Mt.26:55-75

February 13th

Lev.15-17 & Mt.27:1-31

For sermons on MP3 go to FPR.info. The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 0911 – **Real Love: Its Biblical Dimensions**

CD # 0733 – **Countercultural Christians: Sacrifice Instead of Selfishness**

CD # 0925 – **Connectedness: Being More Intentional About Biblical Fellowship**

CD # 0608 – **Koinonia: What It Means to "Share Together" In Christ**

CD # 9814 – **Adding to Your Faith: Cultivating a Love that Lasts**

CD # 0407 - 0410 – **Prompted by Love (a four-part series on 1 Corinthians 13)**

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

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Moffatt, James. **Love in the New Testament**. Smith Publishing, 1930.

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