



# HTC Small Group

## *Discussion Questions*

**Sermon Title:** Alive and Well Relationships

**Sermon Date:** April 30, 2017

**Scripture:** Mark 12:30-31, John 15:12, 1 Cor. 13:4-7

**Speaker:** Pastor Rod Randall

1. When you think of an alive and well *relationship*, what comes to mind?
2. People often find themselves in relationships that are anything but alive and well (spouse, dating, family, work, etc.). Why do they allow things to continue this way?
3. Read Mark 12:30-31
4. Of the four ways we are told to love God, which is easiest for you? Which is hardest?
5. Why is loving God first so important when it comes to alive and well relationships.
6. What does it mean to love your neighbor as yourself?
7. Read 1 John 4:19-21
8. Why isn't it possible to love God *and* hate a brother? Historically how has the church done at obeying these verses?
9. Read John 15:12.
10. When you think of how Jesus loved, what stands out?
11. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
12. Which of these descriptions of love have you seen yourself grow in?
13. Which of these words do you really have trouble with?
14. Why is *being proud* incompatible with *love*?
15. Verse 7 lists four "always." If someone said, "sometimes seems to make more sense", what advice would you give them?
16. Read Psalm 103:12
17. This verse, along with the last phrase of 1 Corinthians 13:5, challenges us to handle wrongs against us like God does. What's the expectation and how are you doing at it? Any stories that come to mind?
18. As you think of a relationship struggle/issue, is it time to let it go? Share with someone what it is and ask for their prayer.
19. We all want alive and well relationships. Prayerfully consider what you need to apply the most from this week's lesson.