

## TAKING IT HOME:

Ask God to reveal areas where you have room to grow in your love towards others. Take the time to ask people beyond your circle of family and friends how you can assist them. Give all the glory to God by stepping out of your comfort zone and risking something of you.

## MY WEEKLY PRAYER PAGE:

My group's prayer requests

### LIFE GROUP TIPS ON GROUP PRAYER

Prayer is an important part of being in a Life Group, but it can also be intimidating. We find that group prayer goes better when we don't require everyone to pray and we keep our prayers short and simple.

<b>P</b> <b>PRAY</b> <small>PRAY DAILY FOR THOSE ON YOUR PPI LIST, PROVIDENTIAL MOMENTS, AND FOR OPPORTUNITIES, BOLDNESS, AND CLARITY.</small>	+	<b>i</b> <b>INVEST</b> <small>INVEST AND BUILD AUTHENTIC RELATIONSHIPS AND REAL FRIENDSHIPS WITH THOSE ON YOUR LIST.</small>	+	<b>i</b> <b>INVITE</b> <small>INVITE THEM TO THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF COMMITMENT (ATTEND CHURCH, LIFE GROUP, GO OUT FOR COFFEE, TRUST IN CHRIST).</small>
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FAMILY MEMBER \_\_\_\_\_  
 FRIEND \_\_\_\_\_  
 CO-WORKER/CLASSMATE \_\_\_\_\_  
 NEIGHBOR \_\_\_\_\_

## LIFE GROUP SERMON GUIDE

For the week of February 10, 2019

### ROMANS: PART 4—"OUR PRIVILEGE"

Pastor Lambert Sikkema

### LOVE: FOR THE DAY IS NEAR

Romans 13:8-14

**KEY PRINCIPLE:** Since God is love disciples of Jesus ought to be the standard-bearers of unconditional love.

### THE FOUNDATIONAL CREED OF OUR LIFE IN CHRIST:

Love \_\_\_\_\_, Love \_\_\_\_\_

1) The unpayable \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 8)

2) Love does no wrong to \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 10: *2nd Table of the Law*)

3) Knowing the "\_\_\_\_\_" The Day is near, so: (v. 11)  
*The "Day" = Judgement, the return of Jesus the judge.*

Cast off the "\_\_\_\_\_" (v. 12)

Put on (clothe yourself with) \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 14)

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Have you looked for opportunities to love your neighbor? Ask the Holy Spirit to show you opportunities to love your neighbor.



# Life Group Homework

For the week of February 10, 2019

### QUICK REVIEW:

1. As you reflect on your Sermon Guide Notes for this week's message, what was one key take-away that you'd like to discuss with your group?

### GOD'S STORY / OUR STORY

Read Romans 13:8-14

1. How does our society view love and retribution?

Read Matthew 5:46

2. It is easy to love our family and even those who are loveable. What does this passage say about loving others?

### MY STORY:

1. Think about a time when you were in need and experienced love from someone outside of your circle of family or friends. What did they do to show you love?

Read Romans 13:8-14

2. After reading this passage, did you find yourself feeling convicted about how you have shown love to others? If yes, what changes would you make?



### DIGGING DEEPER

1. Do you respond to different people differently when you are angry? (i.e. Family, Friends, Employees, Strangers)

Read Colossians 3:12-17 and Philippians 2:3-4

2. The passages above remind us that love is an action not an emotion. How can you choose to set your feelings aside and show someone love despite being hurt by their behavior?

### ADDITIONAL SELF-STUDY (Optional)

1. Self-Reflection is an important part of growth and change. If we're able to see areas of needed growth, we're much more likely to pursue them. Have you ever become aware of a situation when your words or actions negatively impacted someone else? How did this hit you?

How did you respond?

How would you respond to this today?

