

NOW WORD COVENANT CHURCH



Message: A New Love (2-13-22)

Use the message and the message notes and message help guide your answers and discussion for group.

Helpful Hints:

The primary goal of Small Groups has always been to help Christ Followers grow stronger in their walk by having fellowship with one another. We want each member to hear the word of God, retain it, internalize it, and most importantly apply it. One of the ways we grow as Christ Followers is to make sure we strive each day to align ourselves with the word of God. Here are some tips to help us all make sure we are continuing to strive to align ourselves with the word of God, and His instructions for His followers.

(Exodus 24:7, John 14:23, Deuteronomy 5:33)

- Before you meet watch the message again on our YouTube page (Now Word Covenant Church)
 - It is important to watch it again because there are things you miss the first time that you can get when you watch again.
- Use scripture to back up your answers during discussion. Try not to give your opinion as it pertains to the word of God. If everyone in the group gives a different answer, then it is probably opinion and not Bible.
- Try not to start your answer with “I think...”. Instead ask “What does God’s word say about this?” Always refer to the word of God, which is the answer to every question.
- If no one knows the answer, it is okay to say, “I don’t know”. Do some studying before the next meeting and be ready to share your answers.

Pre-Discussion Questions:

1. How would you define the love of Christ?
2. How do you know when someone is demonstrating love towards another person?

Discussion Questions:

1. What did the Holy Spirit reveal to you in this message?
2. What did PK say is the constant universal theme in the Bible? Why is this theme so important to God?
3. What is the definition of agape love? What does agape love look like when it is demonstrated?
4. "Agape is to love not to like" What is the difference between loving someone and liking someone? Can you do one, and not the other? Should like and love go together? Why or why not?
5. Explain and discuss the following PK Quote. "The reason the culture does not take our belief in Christ seriously is because it does not cost us anything."
6. What is Christ's desired result of relationship with one another? How can we all as individuals take steps to achieving this? (Ephesians 4:31, 1 John 4:7)
7. Discuss the three characteristics of forming our relationship?
 - a. Head/Attitude – Studying God's (Acts 17:11)
 - b. Heart/Affection – Desiring God (Psalms 119:11)
 - c. Hand/Action – Doing what is in your head and heart (James 1:26)
8. How do the characteristics above transform our relationships into one's that please God?
9. In order for us to truly transform as Christ Followers, we must meditate on the word of God. What does mediate mean? (Joshua 1:8) Is studying God's word the same as meditating on His word? How does a person go from studying the word of God to meditating on it?

10. What will you immediately apply to your life from Sunday's message?