

GCFSM SUNDAY

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DEFINING MARKS OF A LOVING DISCIPLE (PART 2)

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After Paul emphasized the importance of manifesting God's love through our love for fellow believers (Romans 12:3-13), he challenged believers to extend such love to other members of society, even to those who persecute them (12:14-21). Our submission to human authorities (13:1-7) should also emanate from God's love graciously poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit (5:1-5).

In this section, Paul gave a series of commands on how to show God's love to other people, including those in positions of authority.

1. Seek God's blessings to those who persecute you. (Romans 12:14)
2. Share with the joy and sympathize with the sorrows of others. (Romans 12:15)
3. Strengthen relationships through humility. (Romans 12:16)
4. Strive to promote peace in every situation. (Romans 12:17-18)
5. Surrender to the justice of God. (Romans 12:19-21)
6. Submit to people in authority. (Romans 13:1-7)

It is only through the compelling love of God displayed at the Cross that we could relate well with anyone and everyone, especially those who persecute us, and submit ourselves to those in authority.

The love of Christ must control and captivate our minds and

hearts for us to conduct ourselves in a manner worthy of His gospel. Christ died for us so that whoever believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. And we who are in Christ, are commanded to no longer live for ourselves but for Him who died, who was raised, who resurrected, who ascended into heaven, who is seated at the right hand of the Father right now and would return bodily on this earth one day to rule for a thousand years! (2 Corinthians 5:14-15; Hebrews 4:14-16; Acts 2:33-35; Acts 1:10-11; Revelation 20:4-6)

If we have truly experienced the love of Christ and appreciate the depth of His love, it should transform our mindset about other people with whom we have differences of practice, perspectives, and positions in various aspects of life.

As we end this two-part sermon on the Defining Marks of a Defining Disciple, we will express our commitment to Christ and unity as a church to make it a priority to love God and love others as we observe communion. ✱



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **SELFIE TALK**
The Hub Youth Ministry
October 15, 2022 | 4:00 PM
Speaker: Ms. Mimi Dungganon
- **PRECIOUS IN HIS SIGHT**
Edifying Ministry
October 22, 2022 | 4:00 PM
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