

Generous Disciples - Wk 4

1 John 4v7-21

1. In what way does your small group demonstrate that God lives in you? How might your group grow in love for each other?
2. Verse 10, "this is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us" Why is it important to get the order the right way around?

"When Paul spoke about living in harmony with one another as a gift of Christ's new regime, he knew about conflict and quarrelling in his churches and all around the empire. And so do we. We imagine now that liberals and conservatives must be in conflict, and Christians and muslims must be in shared violence with each other. Well, here is the news. There is a world reconciled between Jew and Greek, between male and female, between free and slave, and all the other alienation that we can name. Because Christ has broken down the walls of separation. In him all sorts of people recover their sanity and their humanity enough to see brother and sister." Walter Brueggemann

3. V20 talks of Brothers and Sisters, who are your brothers and sisters?
4. Are you maturing or just getting older? Read Eph 4v22-23