

## The Life You Always Wanted Week 1

### ☐☐☐ FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT ☐☐☐

◆ Galatians 5:22-23 ◆

- The fruit of the spirit is: Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-Control

- Our focus needs to be drawing closer to the spirit and being rooted in God, not trying harder to produce these things.

◆ John 15:4 ◆

- No branch can bear fruit by itself: it must remain in the vine...

### ☐☐☐ LOVE ☐☐☐

◆ Colossians 3:14 ◆

- Above all these virtues, put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony

◆ 1 Corinthians 13 ◆

#### Greek Words For Love

- Storge - Affection
- Philia - Friendship
- Eros - Romance

▫ Agape (The word used in Galatians 5)

- the willful wholehearted expression that honestly wants what is best for another

◆ 1 Corinthians 13:4-7

- Love is patient, love is kind, it does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud...

▫ Agape isn't looking for what it can GET, but for what it can GIVE▫

#### Agape In your Marriage

- always seeking to serve your spouse

#### Agape In your Family

- going to stay committed no matter how hard it gets

## Agape In your Friendship

- Best, most devoted, faithful and immovable friend

◆ 1 John 3:16 ◆

- by this we come to know and understand Agape love...

◆ John 3:16 ◆

- For God so Agape'd the world...

### ◆ ◆ ◆ Questions ◆ ◆ ◆

1. If you could change one personality trait in yourself, what would you change?
2. Which fruit of the Spirit is the one you need to grow in most?
3. What does it mean to draw closer to the Holy Spirit and be rooted in God? What can you do this week to begin drawing closer to Him?
4. Why is love the top virtue according to Paul?
5. Of the 4 Greek words for love, which do you desire most and which do you give most?