## "INCORRUPTIBLE LOVE FOR CHRIST" SERMON NOTES

Ephesians 1-6; Revelation 2:1-7

## 1. Love for Christ is \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the believer's life – Eph 6:24

Themes in Ephesians: Grace, Faith, Peace, Love Note the prevalence of \_\_\_\_\_\_ in the book – 1:4, 15; 2:4; 3:17, 19; 4:2, 15, 16; 5:2, 25, 28, 33; 6:23, 24 Love highlighted in 1 & 2 Timothy & 1 John; Mt 22:37-39

Love is the \_\_\_\_\_\_of relationships.

Righteous vs. World Love = 1 Jn 4:10, 19

2. Christian passion is to be \_\_\_\_\_\_ by love for Christ – Rev 2:1-7

What was the church at Ephesus doing well? Where did they go wrong? What fuels your passion?

"Undying love" -

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Cold love? Three things to consider:

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\_\_\_\_\_ is the outward expression of love for Christ – 1 Jn 5:2-3

- 2:11 Remember that we were formerly gentiles in the flesh
- 4:25 Speak truth to your neighbor
- 4:26 Be Angry, Do not sin in your anger, Don't let the sun go down...
- 4:27 Don't Give the devil an opportunity
- 4:28 Thieves  $\underline{must\ stop}$  stealing and  $\underline{must\ start}$  working
- $\label{eq:29-bound} 4:29-\underline{\text{Do not let}} \text{ unwholesome words out of your mouth.}$
- 4:30 Do not grieve the Holy Spirit
- 4:31 Put away bitterness, wrath and anger
- $\textbf{4:32} \underline{\textbf{Become}} \text{ kind to one another}$
- 5:1 Be Imitators of God
- 5:2 Walk in love
- 5:3 Immorality etc. must not be named among you.
- 5:5 You must  $\underline{know}$  that [sinners] have no inheritance in the kingdom.
- 5:6 Don't let anyone deceive you with empty words.
- 5:7 Don't be partakers with [the deceivers]
- 5:8 WALK as children of light!
- 5:11 <u>Don't participate</u> in the unfruitful deeds...rather <u>expose</u> them

- 5:14 [the OT quote is a command to WAKE]
- 5:15 <u>Watch</u> how you walk
- 5:17 don't become fools, understand the will of the Lord.
- 5:18 Don't be drunk ... be filled with the Spirit.
- 5:25 Husbands LOVE your wives
- 5:33 Each husband must love his own wife!
- 6:1 You children must obey your parents
- 6:2 <u>Honor</u> your father and mother
- 6:4 Fathers, don't provoke your children [to anger], but raise them in godliness
- 6:5 <u>obey</u> your masters
- 6:9 Masters do the same things!
- 6:10 Be strong in the strength of the Lord
- 6:11 Put on the full armor of God
- 6:13 Take up the full armor of God
- 6:14 Stand firm
- 6:17 Receive the helmet of salvation

God's love is seen in how he acts - Jer 31:3b; Eph 2:4-5; Rom 5:8; 1 Jn 4:10

How do we express our love? – 1 Jn 5:2-3 See also Ps 112:1; 119:2-3; Lk 11:28; Jas 1:22, 25