



Commit to the Strategy

John 17:20-23

Weekend of June 20-21, 2020

NorthRidge Value of the Week

Relationships - We value working together in unity as a team, with honest, healthy and loving relationships.

Sermon Summary

John 17:20-23

Every mission has a strategy to achieve its desired outcome. What is more there are built in measures of success. Jesus prays about the strategy he laid out a few minutes earlier. He had said that the world would know we were his disciples by our love for one another. His prayer gives that greater clarity. That love would be the door through which the world would see and be invited into the love of God in Christ. Effective churches know and practice that love. This week we learn what unity is and how to know it's real.

Discussion Questions

Share one of your favorite memories of your dad or father-figure.

Who is the greatest strategic thinker that you've ever been around?

Jesus' strategy is that the world would come to know Him by seeing and experiencing the love that His followers have for one-another.

READ John 17:20-23

How does showing love for one-another bring unity?

What would you say is the biggest barrier to unity in the Church today?

What can *you* help break down that barrier?

“God's love never changes, just our acceptance of it.” – Pastor Ben



How have you seen your acceptance of God's love fluctuate over the years?
What is the next step that you need to take in order to love others the way God loves you?

Pray for unity as a group and that each of you may bring unity to the Church.

Sermon Response Question

On a scale of 1 to 10, rate your heart.

1 is individualistic ---- 5 small circle of people "like me" ----- 10 is what Jesus is praying for in John 17

Memory Passage

John 17:22 – "I have given them the glory that you gave me, that they may be one as we are one"

Verses We Read Together in Worship

Songs We Sang Together in Worship

Good Grace

Hosanna

Build My Life

