

MARINERS CHURCH



Loving Those That are Hard to Love
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There is a kind of love that creates value.

[God] loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. 1 John 4:10 (NLT)

Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. 1 John 4:11 (NLT)

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another." –Jesus, John 13:34 (NIV)

#1 Those whose hearts are empty.

#2 Those whose hearts are

#3 Those whose hearts are hard.

How do you love hard to love people?

LEARN THEIR STORY

"You have had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband." John 4:18 (NIV)

When Jesus got to the tree, he looked up and said, "Zacchaeus, hurry down. Today is my day to be a guest in your home." Luke 19:5 (MSG)

ADJUST WHAT YOU EXPECT TO RECEIVE



This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins. 1 John 4:10 (NIV)

DEPEND ON A DIFFERENT SOURCE OF LOVE

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who remain in me, and I in them, will produce much fruit. For apart from me you can do nothing." –Jesus, John 15:5 (NLT)

This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers. 1 John 3:16 (NIV)

For you LifeGroup

What was your favorite toy/kids' favorite toy? Why?

Without naming names, describe some hard to love people that are in your life.

What things do you withhold from them?

Together read 1 John 4:11-24 and talk about what you see here regarding loving others.

Of the three ways of "loving "hard to love people" mentioned above, which is the hardest? The easiest?

How should we pray for hard to love people?

Ok, pray together right now for that person.