

BIG TRUTH: THE AIM OF OUR CHARGE IS LOVE

2 Corinthians 5:14-15; 1 John 4:11; John 13:34-35; Romans 12:10; 1 Peter 1:22

BIBLE VERSE: 1 TIMOTHY 1:5

“The aim of our charge is love that issues from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.”

BIG IDEAS

- God’s children are known by their love.
- God’s love is not like the world’s love.
- Godly love uses spiritual gifts effectively.

BIBLE PASSAGE: MATTHEW 22:34-40; ROMANS 13:8-14; 1 CORINTHIANS 13

UNITE - I AM CALLED

The Unite Year is an exploration of what it means to be united in Christ as the family of God (Romans 12:5). When we are saved, we are given a spirit of adoption as sons (Romans 8:15-16), are made a child of God, and we are also saved into a family- the Church. The Unite Year explores how we are to live as a part of a family, and to live in light of our calling as servants and disciples of Christ. We use our gifts to build up the church as we pursue unity, humility, and gentleness with our brothers and sisters in Christ (Ephesians 4:1-2).

SERIES AIMS



Every student should know that...

- Every good gift comes from the Father.
- They have been specifically and uniquely gifted to bring God glory.
- Spiritual gifts are given for the edification of the body of Christ.



Every student should feel...

- Thankful for the various gifts God has given their church family.
- Convicted of the ways they bear the fruit of the flesh.
- Secure in their standing as God’s children through the Holy Spirit



Every student should strive to...

- Pursue unity with other members of their church family.
- Use their gifts for the good of God’s people.
- Practice regular repentance and obedience.



Every student should want...

- To be known for loving others like Jesus loves.
- To learn more about their spiritual gifts and the gifts of others.
- To both suffer and rejoice with God’s people

FAMILY WORKOUT:

This week we will ponder how to discuss with our son or daughter what it means to love like God loves. We will pray for them to have hearts that desire to love like God loves. We will lead them to practice loving others.

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Read and meditate on Matthew 22:34-40, Romans 13:8-14, and 1 Corinthians 13 this week.

As you meditate on these verses ask yourself some of these questions:

- How can you model loving your neighbor to your son or daughter? How can you model loving God with your all to your son or daughter? What does it look like for you to help your son or daughter love God with their all?

Consider how you can discuss with your son or daughter ways that he or she can use their spiritual gifts to love the body of Christ.

- How can you help them use their gifts effectively out of love for the body of Christ?



- Pray for your son or daughter to have a heart that loves God above all else. Pray for their hearts to love their neighbors as themselves.
- Pray with your student to use their spiritual gifts within the local body of Christ.



Help your son or daughter identify who their neighbors are and ways to love them practically this week.

- Commit to help them show love in specific and practical ways this week.
- Discuss with your student ways that he or she can get involved in the church and use their spiritual gifts.