

## **PLEASE READ THROUGH THE BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS. THANKS!**

### **Big Family. Big Love (November 21)**

**Philippians 1:9-11**

**To Live is Jesus – Series #7**

**Discussion Questions**

#### **WARM UP:**

What's your favorite Thanksgiving Celebration memory?

#### **OPENING PRAYER**

**\*THINK BACK:** Referring back to this week's sermon...

What is the BIG IDEA of the Scripture AS IT WAS TAUGHT THIS WEEK?

What is one thing that left you with questions?

\*Remind people to watch on-line if they were unable to attend the Sunday Worship Gathering.

**READ:** Philippians 1:9-11 (Or read all of Philippians 1 and go back to emphasis 1:9-11)

#### **QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION:**

What kinds of things make the top of your personal prayer list? What kinds of things do you pray for your faith family at FCC?

What do you think of when you think of something abounding more and more?

What is the relationship of knowledge and discernment and love that abounds more and more?

According to Philippians 1:9-11 what makes for an excellent day, a day well invested?

How much love can one follower of Jesus express?

What changes might take place in our marriages, families, jobs, and neighborhoods if our love abounded more and more?

Why does our character matter in the 'day of Christ'?

Connect these truths: Jesus says the world will know we are his disciples by our love for each other; One of the fruits of the indwelling Spirit of God is love; abounding love fills our lives with the kind of fruit that brings praise and glory to God; praying that love abounds more and more.

How will we remember to pray that God makes our love abound more and more?

## FURTHER APPLICATION

What is one thing from this text that you could say to an unbeliever about who God is?

**Think about what most caught your attention in the text or discussion. Why is God catching your attention with this at this point in your life? What does God want you to know or do?** (Leader's Note: Reflect, Discuss, Scripture, Plan, Act, Accountability)

## PRAYER

Ask people for specific prayer requests. Pray for needs and for applications of the text. Ask for volunteers who would like to pray for those people and requests.

**Prayer for the salvation of neighbors, by name. (BLESS)**

## WORSHIP

If you have the right leader and numbers, sing a FAMILIAR song or two of praise and worship.

## SHEPHERDING

**Check the roster and see who is not there.** Does the group know why someone is not there? Are there needs that can be met by the group? Specific prayer requests? **Ask for a volunteer to reach out and say, "We missed you."**

## MISSION

Ask about ideas to serve in some way together. Serve 1x every six weeks or so.

- **Encourage people to invite friends or neighbors to your group!!** One way to reach 'out' together is to welcome people 'in.'
- Ruby's **Pantry** December 16. Sign up your group to serve during or after
- Consider providing a meal for Senior High CHAOS. Contact Pastor Ben.
- Is there a Ministry Team our Small Group can be part of together this month?

## FAMILY BUSINESS

- Talk about childcare, if needed. How will your group do this?
- Talk about any upcoming group meals or activities.

## SCRIPTURE FOR NEXT WEEK: Philippians 1:12-18

## CLOSING PRAYER