PENINSULA CHRISTIAN
F E L L O W S H I P

Love, Being Loved & Loving

What makes you **feel** loved?

What makes you **believe** you **ARE** loved?

How do you **communicate love** to someone else?
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Four types of love:
- Eros, **Physical**
- Storge, **Familial**
- Phileo, **Brotherly** (Oneness)
- Agape, **Godly**

All are valid, in their place
- All have their proper place **within Agape**
- Without Agape **the door to sin is open**
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God summed up **every command** He has ever given in **Love**
- **Mark 12:28-31 & John 13:34-35**

Jesus said, "If you love Me, keep My commandments." (**John 14:15**)

Loving is not optional

MLK Jr, "Love isn't the answer. It's the assignment."
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How do we do this?

We can't give what we don't have

1) **BE** loved
2) **Prove** love
3) **Offer** love

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What would it take to make us **believe** we **ARE** loved?

Romans 5:8, "God **demonstrates** His own love for us in this: **While we were still sinners**, Christ died for us."

I John 4:19, "We love because **He first loved us**."

Believing we are loved means **believing God**

Believing **what He says about Himself**

Love loves **First**
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ALL human problems stem from **NOT** believing we are loved!

Most of that comes from **believing people instead of God**

How do we bring love to a world starving without it?
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1) **Embrace** love as real
2) **Demonstrate** it as real
3) **Offer** it as real
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How do we get a grip on this?
- **Choose** to value others (First)
- **Learn** who they are (From them)

(Requires time & interest)
- **Demonstrate** love to them
  (By what they value)
  (By what you value)
  (By what God values)
- **Whether they accept it or not**

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Loving like Jesus will require **forgiving** & **restoring like He does**, too.

We are **empowered** to do that…

When we know He has done it for us!

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God has already done His part

- *We are called to **believe Him** and **receive from Him***
- *And to then **bring it to others** like He brought it to us*

*We **ARE** loved and empowered*

What will we do with it?