

MAY 19, 2019

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I command you to love each other in the same way that I love you.
(John 15:12, NLT)

**Loving tenaciously requires that we replace
"I can't" with "_____."**

Love is _____:

- God _____. 1John 4:8, 16
- Love is our _____. 1Pet 4:8
- Love is our _____. John 13:35, Eph 5:2

➔ Our capacity to love is unlimited when we
_____.
John 15:5-11

➔ Our capacity to love is unlimited when we
are filled with _____.
John 17:7; Gal 5:22-23; Eph 5:18

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Memorize John 15:12 this week and recite it every morning before you start your day. Share with the group the ways having Jesus' words on your mind throughout the day is changing you?

What thought stood out most in the message to you?

How does the fact that love is our highest priority affect your perspective of life, church and relationships?

In what relationship or situation are you struggling the most to love tenaciously?

Read John 15:1-11. What is God teaching you about your relationship with Jesus through the metaphor of the vine and branches? What does it mean to "depend upon God?" How has doing so enabled you to love in ways you didn't think possible?

What does it mean to be "filled with the Spirit?" How has the Holy Spirit enabled you to love more tenaciously? What questions remain for you about the Holy Spirit?

What questions remain for you about the message ?

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