

SDG Discussion Guide

"Love Fulfills" Romans 13:8-10 March 26, 2017

Opener:

When was your first debt or loan? How does it make you feel to remember that experience?

Group Interaction: [The following content is meant to supplement the sermon, to offer further points of interaction with the sermon text. Also, feel free to facilitate your own discussion regarding the sermon or text.]

- 1. In verse 8 Paul says, "Let no debt remain outstanding." Does this mean Christians should never incur any type of debts (mortgage, car and so on)? Discuss.
- 2. How does Paul's notion of love differ from today's notions of love in the wider culture?
- 3. What does genuine love mean to you? Can you think of a specific example?
- 4. What would you say to someone who objects to the need to know God's love first?
- 5. Why must we first love the Lord and then our neighbor?
- 6. How would you express God's love to a friend? To a stranger willing to hear about it?
- 7. How can you cultivate more of an attitude of love in your daily dealings with others, from the clerk in the store, to the seemingly unkind coworker or boss, to the distant friend or family member?

Spend some prayer time together. Ask the Holy Spirit to come, and to renew you with a sense of the Father's love for you. Ask God to inspire in you the love that can help you at the heart of any area in your life. Ask God to give you insight into how to love others you will meet this week. Expect God to answer your prayer in and through your relationships and actions this week.