



# SERMON NOTES

## Love Others - Pt. 1

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### Introduction

- [Picture of dining table]
- **John 13:35** - By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”
- *Our relationship with each other is the criterion the world uses to judge whether our message is truthful—Christian community is the final apologetic.* – Francis Schaeffer
- **Romans 15:1** - You who are mature- have an obligation to bear with the failings of the weak.

### For the Secure and Confident

1. Be Aware
2. Be Empathetic
3. Be Active

### Dr Edward Hall's Theory on Communication and Connection (4 Spaces)

1. Public
2. Social
3. Personal
4. Intimate

### Jesus and the 4 Spaces

1. Public- Jesus and the Masses/Crowds
2. Social- Jesus with the 70
3. Personal- Jesus with the 12
4. Intimate- Jesus with the 3

### Us and the 4 Spaces

1. Public- The Body of Christ
2. Social- ACC Raleigh- Large Gatherings
3. Personal- Life Groups and other Small Groups
4. Intimate- 1-3 Close Friends

### 3 Prescriptions for the Disconnected

1. Believe the Truth that IN Christ YOU Belong
  - o **Ephesians 2:13**- *But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ.*
2. Reject the Lies of the Enemy
3. Sow where you want to Grow

### How to Overcome Lies?

1. Walk in the Light with Confession
2. Pursue Deeper Healing Ministry

**Proverbs 11:25** - He who is a blessing will be blessed, he who waters will himself be watered

### Recap

- For the Confident: Be Aware, Be Empathetic, Be Active
- For the Insecure: Believe the Truth, Reject the Lies, Sow where you want to Grow