

## Week 1 - First Love

Craving a healthy, lasting relationship? Steer clear of social influencers, cultural trends and relationship gurus. Lean into the wisdom of the One who IS love.

## **Scriptures:**

Then God said, "Let us make human beings in our image, to be like us." Genesis 1:26

Then the Lord God said, "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a helper who is just right for him." So the Lord God formed from the ground all the wild animals and all the birds of the sky. He brought them to the man to see what he would call them, and the man chose a name for each one. He gave names to all the livestock, all the birds of the sky, and all the wild animals. But still there was no helper just right for him.

Genesis 2:18-20

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

#### Ice Breaker and Intro Question:

- 1. This is a relationship series for everyone. How are you hoping to grow in your relationships through this series?
- 2. What resonated with you from Sunday's service? (Sermon, scripture, song, etc.)

### **Discussion Questions**

- 1.Read Genesis 1:26 and Genesis 2:18-20 together as a group. What do we learn about God's nature from these passages? What does that teach us about our desire for relationships?
- 2.Eddie shared that time gives better advice than emotions. How have you seen this to be true in your relationships?
- 3.Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 as a group. What is the first adjective Paul uses to describe love? Why is slowing down so critical for the success of all relationships?

4.Eddie shared that we need to become a student of the person we love. Why is this so critical? Have you seen this to be true? How can we apply this principle this week?

# **Additional Resources:**

• We put together some resources for this series at <u>www.wschurch.org/resources</u>. You'll find links to videos, books, Bible reading plans, and more.

## Notes: