

Bay City Wesleyan Church
July 19, 2020

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Sunday Morning 07-19-2020 HOW TO KNOW AND SHOW JESUS'S PRESENCE
My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. (John 15:12)
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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/infusinghope>

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Bay City Wesleyan Church Public Gathering Information

Â· If you are sick or have been exposed to someone who is sick, do not come to the church building. Thank you.

Â· We will continue to live stream Sunday Morning Worship on Facebook. Recordings are available both online and on CDs or DVDs. The Wednesday Prayer times and devotionals will still be posted online as well.

Â· Childcare will not be provided at this time. The Nursery will be closed. Children do not understand and will not practice physical distancing.

Â· A locked offering box will be provided next to the center doors to the worship area. You can continue to use Tithe.ly or to mail checks as well.

Â· Some seats will be roped off. We recommend families sit together.

Â· Masks are not mandatory, but Pastor Mark recommends that you wear one. If you can bring your own, please do so. But masks will be available. After use, worshipers may take masks with them or deposit them in a container to be cleaned for reuse.

Â· We will provide hand sanitizer and facial tissues as much as possible. If you can bring your own, please do so.

Â· There are germ-killing soaps in restrooms.

For more information, please check the posts in the CHAMPIONS OF HOPE group on Facebook.

1 Corinthians 12:31 NET

<small>31</small> But you should be eager for the greater gifts. And now I will show you a way that is beyond comparison.
<https://bible.com/bible/107/1co.12.31.NET>

Matthew 22:35-40 NLT

<small>35</small> One of them, an expert in religious law, tried to trap him with this question: <small>36</small> "Teacher, which is the most important commandment in the law of Moses?" <small>37</small> Jesus replied, "You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind." <small>38</small> This is the first and greatest commandment. <small>39</small> A second is equally important: "Love your neighbor as yourself." <small>40</small> The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." <small>40</small>
<https://bible.com/bible/116/mat.22.35-40.NLT>

1 John 3:14-18 NLT

<small>14</small> If we love our brothers and sisters who are believers, it proves that we have passed from death to life. But a person who has no love is still dead. <small>15</small> Anyone who hates another brother or sister is really a murderer at heart. And you know that murderers don't have eternal life within them. <small>16</small> We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. <small>17</small> If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion, "how can God's love be in that person?" <small>18</small> Dear children, let's not merely say that we love each other; let us show the truth by our actions.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/1jn.3.14-18.NLT>

1 John 4:7-12 NLT

<small>7</small> Dear friends, let us continue to love one another, for love comes from God. Anyone who loves is a child of God and knows God. <small>8</small> But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love. <small>9</small> God showed how much he loved us by sending his one and only Son into the world so that we might have eternal life through him. <small>10</small> This is real love—not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as a sacrifice to take away our sins. <small>11</small> Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other. <small>12</small> No one has ever seen God. But if we love each other, God lives in us, and his love is brought to full expression in us.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/1jn.4.7-12.NLT>

Galatians 5:13-14 NLT

<small>13</small> For you have been called to live in freedom, my brothers and sisters. But donâ€™t use your freedom to satisfy your sinful nature. Instead, use your freedom to serve one another in love. <small>14</small> For the whole law can be summed up in this one command: â€œLove your neighbor as yourself.â€œ
<https://bible.com/bible/116/gal.5.13-14.NLT>

Philippians 2:1-4 NLT

<small>1</small> Is there any encouragement from belonging to Christ? Any comfort from his love? Any fellowship together in the Spirit? Are your hearts tender and compassionate?
<small>2</small> Then make me truly happy by agreeing wholeheartedly with each other, loving one another, and working together with one mind and purpose. <small>3</small> Donâ€™t be selfish; donâ€™t try to impress others. Be humble, thinking of others as better than yourselves. <small>4</small> Donâ€™t look out only for your own interests, but take an interest in others, too.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/php.2.1-4.NLT>

John 13:34-35 NLT

<small>34</small> So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. <small>35</small> Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.â€œ
<https://bible.com/bible/116/jhn.13.34-35.NLT>

John 15:9-14 NLT

<small>9</small> â€œI have loved you even as the Father has loved me. Remain in my love. <small>10</small> When you obey my commandments, you remain in my love, just as I obey my Fatherâ€™s commandments and remain in his love. <small>11</small> I have told you these things so that you will be filled with my joy. Yes, your joy will overflow! <small>12</small> This is my commandment: Love each other in the same way I have loved you. <small>13</small> There is no greater love than to lay down oneâ€™s life for oneâ€™s friends. <small>14</small> You are my friends if you do what I command.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/jhn.15.9-14.NLT>

John 15:17 NLT

<small>17</small> This is my command: Love each other.
<https://bible.com/bible/116/jhn.15.17.NLT>

1 Corinthians 13:1-13 NLT

<small>1</small> If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didnâ€™t love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. <small>2</small> If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I

understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing. 3 If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing. 4 Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud 5 or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. 6 It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. 7 Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance. 8 Prophecy and speaking in unknown languages and special knowledge will become useless. But love will last forever! 9 Now our knowledge is partial and incomplete, and even the gift of prophecy reveals only part of the whole picture! 10 But when the time of perfection comes, these partial things will become useless. 11 When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things. 12 Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely. 13 Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.

<https://bible.com/bible/116/1co.13.1-13.NLT>

Matthew 7:12 NLT

12 Do to others whatever you would like them to do to you. This is the essence of all that is taught in the law and the prophets.

<https://bible.com/bible/116/mat.7.12.NLT>

1 Corinthians 14:1 NLT

1 Let love be your highest goal! But you should also desire the special abilities the Spirit gives—especially the ability to prophesy.

<https://bible.com/bible/116/1co.14.1.NLT>

1 Corinthians 14:25 NLT

25 As they listen, their secret thoughts will be exposed, and they will fall to their knees and worship God, declaring, "God is truly here among you."

<https://bible.com/bible/116/1co.14.25.NLT>

1 Corinthians 16:14 NET

14 Everything you do should be done in love.

<https://bible.com/bible/107/1co.16.14.NET>

Sermon in a Sentence:

Make knowing and showing love your highest goal.

What will it take to make knowing and showing Jesus's love your highest goal?