

Covenant Life

- Our next **prayer meeting** is one week from today on Sunday October 13th at 3pm. We plan to have Children and Youth ministries.
- Our annual **Safe Environment Training**, required by all adults serving in any CCGD ministry will be offered 30 minutes before and immediately after the next prayer meeting (10/13). This will be the last public opportunity, please plan to attend.
- The Formation Ministry accomplished a complete refresh of our **Formation I** teachings and presented them this past Summer. These have been loaded to our website for anyone in Community to view and enjoy [here](#).
- **SAVE THE DATE:** The Annual CCGD **All Saints Party** will be Thursday, October 31st from 6:30-8:30pm in the MSMCS gym.
- The **National Charismatic Leaders Conference** will be held in St. Paul, MN on October 25-27th - Members of CCGD will be attending and there will be a workshop on Covenant Communities. More info at: Pentecosttodayusa.org/hs2024/
- GodsDelight.org has prayer meeting [audio](#), [summaries](#), [transcripts](#), and [teachings](#).
- Your ongoing financial support to the Community is sincerely appreciated. Please donate online [here](#) or mail your donations to P.O. Box 225008 Dallas, TX 75222.

Reflection

In the [Gospel](#) today Jesus teaches us about **covenant love**. Besides avoiding the trap posed by the Pharisees, Jesus wanted to reveal the broader truth of God's covenant love for us. The love He calls all husbands and wives to flows from the example of His love for us. God asks us to love one another as He loves us.

God's love for us is unconditional, pure, holy. This type of love is self-giving, sacrificial, total, and without counting the costs. This covenant love looks to what is good for the other and establishes a bond that should never be broken.

This is the love we are all called to...first and foremost in our love for God but also to our spouses, family, our covenant sisters and brothers, and all whom God is calling us to love to respond to the mission He has entrusted to us.

This is one of the main reasons we were each called into Covenant Community. God wanted us to experience this type of love in the hugs, smiles, support, that we

received from our covenant sisters and brothers. He also wants us to practice loving one another in this way. Covenant love is not easy. We naturally fail. But we grow in our ability to love this way by perseverance. We exist as a Covenant Community to learn to love one another as God loves us!

We cannot do this alone, no one can. This is the power of a Charismatic Covenant Community. We know we have the power of His Holy Spirit to enable us to love God and love one another. For this to happen our love must be grounded in the love that God has for us. This happens by admitting that we cannot do anything apart from Him, surrendering everything to Him, and asking God to empower us with the ability to love our spouse, our family, our covenant sisters and brothers, and everyone we meet with His love, through the power of His Spirit.

Let us ponder, how do I love? Do I love God as He love me? Do I love others as God loves me?

Let us pray, "Heavenly Father, I truly desire to love You as You love me. I desire to love those in my life as You love me. I acknowledge my failures and weaknesses and seek wholeness with You and those in my life. I ask for a double portion of Your Holy Spirit today to enable me to truly love You and those in my life with the pure, unconditional love that You ask of me. I know this is only possible through my surrender to You, so, today, and every day, I give over to You total control of my life and all aspects of it. I want to fully live for You today and be an example of Your love to everyone I meet today so that I may cooperate with the love that You want to show them through my Yes. I love You Lord! Amen"

God Bless,

David

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