

Sermon Series: Blessed Assurance

Sermon Passage: 1 John 1:2:7-11

1. Read 1 John 2:7. Jesus raised the "old" standard of love to a "new" standard. No longer do I only love my neighbor as myself, but I am now called to love others as Christ has loved me. How is the "new" command different from the old" command? Is this a struggle for you?
2. The ultimate intent of Christ love is to redeem us from our sin and not to point out our sin. What is the intent of your love for your spouse, neighbor, co-worker, etc...? What are hurtful things we say that "point out" sin? What are helpful things we say that help redeem sin?
3. The extent of God's love it "all people." Do you limit your love for certain types of people based on beliefs, color, political views, or other demographic differences? How do we break down barriers that may exist in the church?