

STUDY NOTES - APRIL 19, 2020

Sermon Title: With "Gentleness and Respect"

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Scripture: Galatians 5:13-15, 22-25 and 1 Peter 3:15

- MAIN POINT—HOW DO I LOVE MY NEIGHBOR WITH "GENTLENESS AND RESPECT" FOR...
- ...THOSE WHO KNOW CHRIST?
 - Avoid gossip
 - Care for those in our church
 - Resolve conflicts biblically
 - Resolve to be unified in Christ
- ...THOSE WHO DO NOT KNOW CHRIST?
 - o Be ready to share the message humbly
 - Live the message humbly
 - o Remember the Bible is the living word

Prayer for today — "Lord, restore our country to a God-fearing, loving, truth proclaiming people who want to serve and glorify You. Unify us, to love our neighbors and give the message of hope with gentleness and respect." Amen.

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- Have someone read Sunday's passage: Galatians 5:13-15, 22-25 and 1 Peter 3:15
- (you may also want to reference Galatians 6:9-10 and Hebrews 4:12)
 - o What truths stand out to you?
 - What is a good working definition of gentleness from Galatians 5:23?
 - 1. If loving our neighbor through gentleness and respect is so important, then why is gossip so destructive?
 - 2. What are 5 primary ways a church can serve its own people?
 - 3. If unity within the body of Christ is crucial, what are ways to "settle" our disputes or differences in accordance with 1 Peter 3:8-9 and Matthew 18:15-20?
 - 4. If in Hebrews 4:12 the Word is described as living and "sharper than a double-edged sword", then why are we exhorted to share it with "gentleness and respect"?
 - 5. What are tangible ways we as a SALT Group can love our neighbor (specifically those who do not know Christ) with gentleness and respect?

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