

# #struggles

message notes

## Relationships

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(Jesus) *“So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples.”* – John 13:34-35 (NLT)

### TECHNOLOGY IS CHANGING MODERN-DAY RELATIONSHIPS:

- 1) THE MEANING OF \_\_\_\_\_ IS SHIFTING.
- 2) IMMEDIATE \_\_\_\_\_ HAS BECOME AN \_\_\_\_\_.
- 3) \_\_\_\_\_ CAN NOW BE DEFINED TO FIT OUR TERMS.

### I CAN MOVE BEYOND STRUGGLING RELATIONSHIPS IF I...

- BE \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.”* – Hebrews 10:24-25 (NLT)

*“Don’t just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other ... When God’s people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.”*  
– Romans 12:9-10, 13 (NLT)

- **BE** \_\_\_\_\_.

*“But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not look at his appearance or at his physical stature, because I have refused him. For the Lord does not see as man sees; for man looks at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.” – 1 Samuel 16:7 (NKJV)*

*“For we are God’s masterpiece. He has created us anew in Christ Jesus, so we can do the good things he planned for us long ago.”  
– Ephesians 2:10 (NLT)*

*(Note: Join us again next weekend to focus on the topic of Authenticity.)*

- **BE** \_\_\_\_\_.

*“Most important of all, continue to show deep love for each other, for love covers a multitude of sins.”  
– 1 Peter 4:8 (NLT)*

**Memory Verse:**

*(Jesus) “My little children, let us not love in word or in tongue, but in deed and in truth.”  
– 1 John 3:18 (NKJV)*

**MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:**

- Memorize 1 John 3:18.
- Reach out to a friend or family member I haven’t seen in a while.
- RSVP for Youth Lunch & Bowling next Sunday, February 27 (right after worship service).
- Sign Up for Spring Growth Group# \_\_\_\_\_.

Join us again next weekend as we continue our #STRUGGLES teaching series, exploring how the Bible shows us to live with authenticity. Invite a friend to join you!

*\* Bible verses are from the New King James Versions (NKJV) or the New Living Translation (NLT) unless otherwise noted.*