End Time Essentials 1: Love
September 6, 2020 Discussion Notes
Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible
(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)

END TIME ESSENTIALS 1: LOVE
- HATE WILL PRODUCE MORE HATE
- ESPECIALLY TOWARD THE END
- BUT GOD CALLS US TO LOVE
    - BY HIS EXAMPLE (FOLLOW IT)
    - BY HIS WORD (SOAK IN IT)
    - BY HIS POWER (PRAY FOR IT)

Questions:
1. Who is the most loving person you know? Why do you think so?
2. What do you remember about the sermon (review the main points above)? Did anything impact or challenge you? Do you have any questions?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-3
    a) 1 Corinthians 13 is known as the "love chapter. It comes between two chapters in which Paul teaches about using spiritual gifts. Why do you think Paul takes time to discuss love in this context?
    b) What do we gain if we don't have love?
    c) Sometimes people like to think about which superpower they would like to have (e.g. would you rather be able to fly or to be invisible?). Which of the following would you rather have: the gift of prophecy, the ability to fathom all mysteries, faith that can move mountains, or love for others? Why?
    d) Why do you think love is more important than the things listed in this passage?
    e) Why might it be easy to use a spiritual gift without love?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 13:4-7
    a) Which of these descriptions of love stand out to you the most?
    b) Which one(s) do you especially struggle to live out?
    c) In what ways did Jesus live out this kind of love?
    d) How do you think we can grow in these qualities?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 13:8-13
    a) Why will prophecy, tongues, and knowledge pass away?
    b) How will we be different when we see Christ?
    c) What is difficult about loving?
    d) How could you show love to a difficult person this week?
6. Spend some time praying that God would help you to grow in your love for others. And pray for any specific needs in your group.