

Good Morning!

**Welcome to Meadowlark
Church of Christ!**

**Visitors please fill out
an attendance card ... thank you!**

Philippians 2:1-4

Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if there is any consolation of love, if there is any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others.

Up until the early 80's almost every wedding ended with everyone throwing rice on the new couple as they left. Suddenly this practice came to an end, ..does anyone here know why?



1 Corinthians 13:4-8 NCV

Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous, it does not brag, and it is not proud. Love is not rude, is not selfish, and does not get upset with others. Love does not count up wrongs that have been done. Love is not happy with evil, but is happy with the truth. Love patiently accepts all things. It always trusts, always hopes, and always remains strong. Love never ends.

Good questions to ask:

- *Am I patient and kind?*
- *Do I struggle with jealousy?*
- *Do I brag and seem proud?*
- *Am I rude and selfish?*
- *Am I easily upset?*
- *Have I been keeping score of all YOUR wrongs?*
- *Am I happy and accepting of God's truth?*
- *Have I given up?*

How to live a Christ-centered life: (Philippians 2:1-4)

- 1. ENCOURAGEMENT.**
- 2. CONSOLATION (COMFORT).**
- 3. FELLOWSHIP.**
- 4. AFFECTION & COMPASSION.**
- 5. DOES YOUR RELATIONSHIP HAVE ONE OVER-ARCHING PURPOSE?**

1 John 4:7-11 & 19-20

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. The one who does not love does not know God, for God is love. By this the love of God was manifested in us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world so that we might live through Him.

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

We love because He first loved us. If someone says, "I love God," and hates his brother, he is a liar; for the one who does not love his brother whom he has seen, cannot love God whom he has not seen.