LOVE FOR A LIFETIME

Matthew 19:3-6: Ephesians 4:25-5:4 Dr. Buddy Perstrope, Senior Pastor

1. The challenge of love for a lifetime

- A. We have personal differences
- B. Our emotions change
- C. Conflicts always arise
- D. We are both sinners

2. The call to love for a lifetime Ephesians 4:25-5:4

- A. Be honest v. 25
- B. Deal with anger v. 26
- C. Stay on guard v. 27
- D. Be a giver not a taker v. 28
- E. Watch your words v. 29
- F. Don't grieve the Spirit by harboring sin v. 30-31
- G. Be kind v. 32
- H. Be tender v. 32
- I. Be forgiving v. 32
- J. Walk in love 5:1
- K. Stay morally pure 5:3-4
- L. Be thankful 5:4b

3. The consequences of love for a lifetime

- A lifetime commitment:
- A. Opens the door to deeper intimacy
- B. Teaches us to love despite our differences
- C. Sustains us during the difficult seasons
- D. Motivates us to resolve conflict
- E. Provides family stability
- F. Honors God