

MESSAGE NOTES

PERSONAL APPLICATION _____

1. The sermon describes three types of love (friendship love, romantic love, and sacrificial love). Which of these do you think needs the most intentional investment in relationships today?

2. The story of the man caring for his wife with MS was used as an example of "going all the way" in love. What are some ways we can model selfless, enduring love in our relationships?

3. Brennan Manning said, "If we want to truly love, we must return again and again to the Great Love of the Great Lover." What are some daily or weekly habits that help you stay connected to God's love so that you can love others well?

PRAYER REQUESTS _____

Explicit Lyrics series
"Act 5: Still the One"
Song of Songs 8:5-7

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True love has a sense of grateful _____.

True love journeys through _____.

True love is _____ and _____.

True love burns from an inextinguishable _____.

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of March 9, 2025

OPENING DISCUSSION _____

1. What is one of the most memorable love stories (fictional or real) that has inspired you? Why?

2. What's a funny or unexpected moment that happened at a wedding you attended?

BIBLICAL REFLECTION _____

1. **Song of Songs 8:5** talks about love having a "grateful destiny." How does looking back on a relationship (or friendships) with gratitude help strengthen love?

2. The passage also mentions that love "journeys through pain." How have you seen love endure through difficult seasons in your life or in others' lives?

3. **Song of Songs 8:6-7** compares love to a seal and an unquenchable fire. What does it mean for love to be "as strong as death" and "a flame that cannot be extinguished"?

4. The message emphasizes that marriage is a covenant, not a contract. What do you think is the difference, and how does viewing marriage as a covenant change the way we approach relationships?

5. Several Psalms describe God's love as unfailing (**Psalm 32:10, Psalm 36:7, Psalm 130:7**). How does experiencing God's unfailing love impact the way we love others?