

Flourish

LOVE LIKE JESUS

Discussion Questions

Week of 1/28/24

Text: Colossians 4:7-18

Icebreaker: Where have you experienced a loving community? What made it loving?

1. Read Colossians 4:7-18. What stands out to you from these verses or from the sermon you heard this week? Why?

2. Paul lists 10 different people in these closing instructions. What does this suggest about the nature of Paul's ministry and the ministry of the church in this city?

Application: Think about your own involvement in the Church, whether at Calvary or a previous setting. Did it (or does it) seem like you were part of a team or was it more of a solo experience? Give an example if possible.

3. What kind of words does Paul use to describe the people he mentions? What do these imply about Paul's regard for them?

Application: What difference does it make that we love the people around us at Calvary? Can a church minister effectively when the people of the church lack love for each other?

4. What does Paul say in these verses that communicates to the Colossians that they are loved?

Application: Do you feel loved at Calvary? Do you think others at Calvary feel loved by you? If you answered "No" to either of these, what kind of actions would make a difference?

5. What is your main takeaway from this series? What was most significant to you?

Application: All of us have room to grow when it comes to loving like Jesus! Take a few minutes to pray for each other, asking the Lord to help increase our love for those around us.