HOME IMPROVEMENT - LET'S DO THIS LOVE BASED RELATIONSHIPS

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I. <u>1 Cor 13</u>

A. We are focusing on Improving 3 different areas of our Homes:

- 1. **Ourselves** Only person you can control
- 2. Marriages
- 3. Parent/Child Relationship

B. <u>1 Cor 13:4-13 NLT</u>

- 1. **Love** agapao (agape n) To love; To show or demonstrate one's love.
 - a) God's kind of love; unconditional love that is confirmed by demonstration.

II. Heb 8:6-10 - New Deal

- A. Transition from external to internal
- B. Matt 22:36-39 Life is all about love
 - 1. It's not about your performance, your great behavior or about the rules you keep.
 - 2. It's about how good you get at managing your love towards other people.

III. Love gives Freedom - Gen 2:9

- A. You cannot have love without freedom.
- B. Ps 32:8 8 I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go; I will guide you with My eye.
 - 1. The new covenant is not about behavior, it is about relationship and love.
- C. **Ps 32:9** 9 Do not be like the horse or like the mule, Which have no understanding which must be harnessed with bit and bridle, else they will not come near you.
 - 1. Be governed by love and not pain.

D. Love gives Choices

IV. Family Secrets?

- A. <u>Love languages</u> How do you hear love?
 - 1. <u>Gifts</u> I feel loved when I know that you know me and I know you are thinking about me even when I am not with you. You remembered an occasion to express your love.
 - a) Kiss of Death: "I forgot"
 - 2. **Physical Touch** I feel love through physical contact, physical proximity, contact frequency.
 - a) Kiss of Death Not touching at all. Not letting them touch you.

- b) Communicates rejection and neglect
- 3. Acts of Service I feel loved when you take care of the things that are important to me.
 - a) Communicates that you are important to me.
 - b) Kiss of Death What's important to you is not important to me. I won't help you. Angry responses to doing tasks. Doing tasks unrelated to request or need.
- 4. **Quality Time** I feel loved when you show interest in me.
 - a) What they are interested in is interesting to you because they are interesting to you.
 - b) Kiss of Death I don't have time, I'm not going to make time.
- 5. **Words of Affirmation** I feel loved when I believe you like me by the way you talk to me.
 - a) Life and Death are in the power of the Words (tongue).

b)	Kiss of Death - They don't hear from you or what they hear is harsh.