

**STUDY GUIDE** | SERMON: JUNE 28, 2020

# LOVE NEVER ENDS

## Two compelling motivators to pursue a life a love above all else:

- Only love lasts forever.
- Love infuses everything you do with eternal significance.

## LET'S TALK

1. What impacted you the most from this week's message?
2. Pastor Steve says that speculation about the "end times" often keeps Christians from focusing on living a life of love. What kind of things have kept you from focusing on living a life of love?
3. Read 1 Cor 13:8-13. Paul points to the future day when Jesus will return and set the whole world right once and for all. How does that future hope motivate you to live a life of love right here and right now?
4. The Corinthians often elevated spiritual gifts above loving others. They used good things like spiritual gifts for their self-serving purposes. Can you think of other examples of "good things" that we often use for our own self-serving purposes?
5. Dallas Willard says, "The aim of God in human history is the creation of an all-inclusive community of loving persons with himself as its prime sustainer and most glorious inhabitant." How does this statement challenge your perspective on love?
6. When you think about how you spend your time and live your life, what kind of things are aligned with God's future? What can you take with you "past the grave"?
7. Seemingly small acts can have eternal impact. When we do these things with God's empowering Spirit, it transforms them into eternal moments that will ripple forever.

What is one "small" act you can do this week that can create a ripple effect?

What is one way you can engage deeper in the life of this church community (eg giving, inviting friends to join our services, join a group, etc.)?

## LET'S PRAY

Spend some time in prayer (for each other, for our community and for the world).