## Charting Our Course – Defining Our Vision Part 2: Love People

August 29, 2010 \* Bethel Baptist Church \* Tim Davis Matthew 22:39, Acts 2:40-47

- Our Greatest Need: UNITY
- Our Battlecry? Remember the Cross!
- Our Course Our Vision: The Three Pinnacles Love God. Mt. 22:37&38 Love People. Mt. 22:39 Change the World. Mt. 28:18-20

The Greatest Commandment: "Love the Lord your God with your whole heart and your whole soul and your whole mind." 22:37

Our love for everything and everyone else, must be either <u>the</u> <u>result of our love for</u> the Lord, or <u>resulting in our love for</u> the Lord.

Agape (αγαπε) love is sacrifice. It was defined at the cross. 1John 4:8-10, Romans 5:8, John 3:16

*True Believers experience unity through love. Acts 2:40-47* 

The earliest Christians expressed their love for one another through sacrifice - giving what they had.

Acts 2:45

As a church, we love God in worship on Sunday morning – we love people in home teams throughout the week. Acts 2:46

Lord, teach me to love You & people the way You desire.

## 2010 Bethel Prayer Guide

Use this guide to unite your heart & prayers with your Bethel family.

- 1. Dear Lord, i surrender my life to You: every word, every action, every thought, & every attitude. May Your will be done in me as it is in Heaven. Dear Lord, please nurture a passion within me for holiness. Please help me to become more like You, and less like the world every day.
- 2. Dear Lord, please use me to draw others to You. Please make me a light in the darkness for Your glory alone. May everyone i have contact with today, see You in me.
- 3. Dear God, i am serious about growing up in my salvation. Please help me understand Your perfect Word as i study it each day. Please help me worship You more deeply as i seek You every day.
- 4. Lord, please bring supernatural unity to our church so we may grow, and glow for Your glory. Please protect our members and staff from evil.
- 5. Lord, please give courage and encouragement to our missionaries around the world, and our brothers and sisters around the world who are persecuted for their faith in Jesus Christ.
- 6. God, please reveal Yourself through answered prayer. Please show us Your power by giving us the land at Roberts Road & Old Mill Road. Please show us Your goodness by making our nursery into a healthy, beautiful place for kids to fall in love with You. Please show us Your glory by giving us a beautiful playground. Please reveal your nature by providing for the completion of the new restrooms in our children's building.

7. Heavenly Father, please heal	
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