

Ice Breaker:

• Share a story about a time you traveled a long distance or had a busy week. How did you feel afterward, and what motivated you to keep going?

Short Summary of the Sermon:

The sermon introduces a new series titled "Visible," focusing on the fruit of the Spirit as described by the Apostle Paul. The first fruit discussed is love, which calls us to dangerous places but offers the greatest rewards. The sermon emphasizes that true freedom is found in Christ, not in sin, which is actually a form of slavery. It highlights the importance of being radically changed by God's love, which enables us to love others, including our enemies, in a way that reflects Christ's love for us. The sermon challenges us to be conduits of God's love, reaching out to the least and the lost, and to continue the unbroken line of sharing the gospel.

Group Questions:

- 1. What does true freedom in Christ mean to you, and how does it differ from the world's view of freedom?
- 2. How do you understand the concept of love as "the commitment of my will to your needs and best interests, regardless of the cost"?
- 3. Can you share a personal experience where you felt called to love someone who was difficult to love? How did you respond?
- 4. The sermon mentions that many people let their sin dictate who they are. How can we allow Christ to redefine our identity?
- 5. What are some practical ways we can become radical lovers of people in our daily lives?

Life Application:

Reflect on your own life and identify areas where you might be allowing sin to block the love of God from being fully expressed. Consider how you can surrender these areas to Christ and allow His love to transform you into a radical lover of people.

Challenge:

This week, intentionally reach out to someone who is difficult to love or who may be considered "the

least" in society. Show them love through a kind act, a word of encouragement, or by simply listening to them. Reflect on how this experience impacts your understanding of God's love and share your experience with the group next week.