

LOVE

A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another... (John 13:34)

- Internal: How was your week...anything new?! How was your walk with the Lord this week?
- External: Is there any individual or family who is struggling or needs encouragement from us?

TRUTH

Let the word of God dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another... (Col. 3:16)

- 1. When you reflect on the message from Sunday, what most resonated with you?
- 2. Let's read our primary text. In verse 9, John expresses that he is a partner in the tribulation. What tribulation is he talking about?
- 3. John finds himself on the island of Patmos. What is his explanation for being there?
- 4. In verse 10, John mentions being in the Spirit. What do you think he means by this? What this simply an intense prayer time?
- 5. Verses 12-16 begin to paint a picture of Jesus through the use of simile. Our culture tends to use these verses to promote a Jesus that fits their racial makeup. Is this the emphasis of this passage? What is?
- 6. John responds to Jesus' presence by falling down at his feet; collapsing as if dead. Is this a normal reaction to the presence of God? Are there any other situations like this in the Bible?
- 7. How do you approach Jesus?
- 8. What can you conclude about Jesus' power according to this text?
- 9. How does this text renew your understanding of Jesus?

GREAT COMMISSION

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations... (Matt. 28:19-20)

- Did you disciple your family well this week? Is Jesus the reason for your hope in your daily activity?

CONFESSION/PRAYER/REPENTANCE

But exhort one another every day, as long as it is called "today,"... (Heb. 3:12-14)

- Confession is agreeing with God about our sin according to the Scriptures. Is there anything you want to confess before the group? [apathy, idolatry, selfishness, jealousy, anger, envy]
- Let's pray, asking God to help us apply His word to our lives, putting to death sinful desires.

HOMEWORK: Meditate on our weekly "Fighter Verse" - Matthew 5:11-12. How did last week's verse affect you? Did it cause you to pause or change anything as you progressed through the week?