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**Reimagining Your Life Sermon Series**

**Reimagining How I Think About Love**

**Love begins with GOD**

- "...! You must love the LORD your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.' This is the first and greatest commandment." (Matthew 22:37-38; NLT)
- "And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. **God is love.** Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. 17 This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus. 18 There is no fear in love. But perfect love drives out fear, because fear has to do with punishment. The one who fears is not made perfect in love. 19 We love because he first loved us. (1 John 4:16-19; NIV)

**Love is directed towards others**

- "A second (commandment) is equally important: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments." (Matthew 22:39; NLT)
- "Owe nothing to anyone - except for your obligation to love one another. If you love your neighbor, you will fulfill the requirements of God's law." (Romans 13:8; NLT)

**Love is the greatest**

- "If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. 2 If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing. 3 If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing." (1 Corinthians 13:1-3; NLT)