

SERMON NOTES

Series: To Know Him and To Make Him Known

Title: To Make Him Known - Fellowship

Text: Mark 12:29-31

Subject: Five Purposes - Fellowship

Date: 2/4/07

Introduction:

A. Fellowship

B. The word fellowship describes the nature and one of the purposes of the church.

[Mark 12:29-31 \(NIV\)](#)

Body:

I. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul, mind and strength.

A. This is the ultimate love.

B. Love by its very nature requires us to yield ourselves to the one we love.

[1 John 5:3 \(NIV\)](#)

II. Likewise we are to love for our neighbor as ourselves.

A. In fact, to love our neighbor is the best evidence that we love God.

[1 John 4:20-21 \(NIV\)](#), [Matthew 22:37-40 \(NIV\)](#)

B. But the first thing someone will ask is “Who is my neighbor?”

C. On the other hand there is an even more compelling bond in our relationships with other Christians.

[Galatians 6:10 \(NIV\)](#)

III. The marks of fellowship.

A. Fellowship is to hold something in common.

[Romans 8:17 \(NIV\)](#), [Acts 2:44-45 \(NIV\)](#)

B. To fellowship is to be partners

[1 John 1:3 \(NIV\)](#)

C. Fellowship is participation.

[Acts 2:41-47 \(NIV\)](#), [Philip. 2:1-4 \(NIV\)](#)

D. Fellowship is community

Conclusion:

A. Are you in fellowship with God?

[Rev. 3:20 \(NIV\)](#)

B. Are you in fellowship with God’s family?