## **CONNECT QUESTIONS**

- 1) How have you seen God work in your life this week?
- 2) How have you struggled to obey God's Word and live out your faith in Christ this week?
- 3) Read Romans 12:9-21. Can you remember a time when you saw good overcome evil? How can you "cling to what is good"?
- 4) Paul tells the church to be "devoted to one another in love," and to "honor one another above yourselves." How can we more faithfully live this way today?
- 5) Paul lists many behaviors that should characterize Christians: joy, hope, patience, faithfulness, generosity, hospitality, harmony, humility, grace, etc. Talk with God and ask the Holy Spirit to grow one or more of these behaviors in you this year.
- 6) Take a moment to praise God, to pray for the needs of your group and our church, and to ask for God's guidance in the coming week.

## **Memory Passage**

Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

— Romans 12:21 (NIV)

# Trinity Church of the Nazarene

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- January 1, 2023 -

10:00 AM

**Call to Worship** 

Songs of Praise "Seeing You"

"Yours is the Kingdom"

"Thank You"

Prayer Ken Kendall

**Announcements / Greet One Another** 

Sermon Pastor Travis

Sincere Love

**Song of Praise** "Yet Not I, but Through Christ in Me"

"Benediction Song"

**Benediction** 

## Romans 12:9-21 (NIV)

<sup>9</sup> Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. <sup>10</sup> Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. <sup>11</sup> Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. <sup>12</sup> Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. <sup>13</sup> Share with the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

<sup>14</sup> Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. <sup>15</sup> Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. <sup>16</sup> Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

<sup>17</sup> Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. <sup>18</sup> If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. <sup>19</sup> Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. <sup>20</sup> On the contrary:

"If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head."

### **Notes:**

#### Sincere Love

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.