# Silver Creek Fellowship NOTES

June 2

# LIFE VERSES GOD'S LOVE

# Ephesians 3:14-19(NIV) A Prayer for the Ephesians

<sup>14</sup> "For this reason I kneel before the Father, <sup>15</sup> from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its name. <sup>16</sup> I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, <sup>17</sup> so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, <sup>18</sup> may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, <sup>19</sup> and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God."

# Life Point: You are <u>loved</u> by God.

## Romans 5:6-8(NIV)

<sup>6</sup> "You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. <sup>7</sup> Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

# Ephesians 2:4-5 (NIV)

<sup>4</sup> "But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved."

# Deuteronomy 7:7-8(NIV)

<sup>7</sup>"The Lord did not set his affection on you and choose you because you were more numerous than other peoples, for you were the fewest of all peoples. 8 But it was because the Lord loved you and kept the oath he swore to your ancestors that he brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the land of slavery, from the power of Pharaoh King of Egypt."

#### Romans 5:5

"And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us."

# Zephaniah 3:17 (NIV)

17 The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves.
He will take great delight in you; in his love he will no longer rebuke you, but will rejoice over you with singing."

# Psalm 86:15(NIV)

"But you, Lord, are a compassionate and gracious God, slow to anger, abounding in love and faithfulness."

# 1 John 3:1(NIV)

"See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him."

# Jeremiah 31:3(NIV)

"The Lord appeared to us in the past, saying: "I have loved you with an everlasting love; I have drawn you with unfailing kindness."

# 1 John 4:19 (NIV)

"We love because he first loved us."

# Romans 8:35-39 (NIV)

<sup>35</sup> "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? <sup>36</sup> As it is written:

"For your sake we face death all day long;

we are considered as sheep to be slaughtered."

<sup>37</sup> No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. <sup>38</sup> For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, <sup>39</sup> neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

- 1. God's love is not earned or deserved, but <u>freely given.</u>
- 2. God's love is not dependent on our <u>actions or behavior</u>.
- 3. We can experience God's love personally and intimately.
- 4. Knowing and experiencing God's love <u>changes us.</u>
- 5. God's love should motivate us to love others.