WINSOME COMMUNITY

Small Group Discussion # 3 - Sunday Morning Romans 12:9-13

Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. ¹² Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. ¹³ Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.

- 1) Last night we talked about building community through love, flagging three characteristics of the love described in *Romans 12:9-13:*
 - It is passionate for what is good (v. 9-- Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good)
 - It is warm and empathetic (v. 10a-- Love one another with brotherly affection)
 - It is respectful (v. 10b-- Outdo one another in showing honor)

Talk about where you have had some success in loving in one of these ways.

Talk about which of these qualities you have trouble with.

What has helped you to love better.

- 2) We saw last night that *Romans 12:9-13* isn't a check-list. It is a portrait of Jesus, who lives in and among us.
 - Pray together for Jesus to "show up" more vividly in ourselves, our families, and our neighborhoods and work-places.