

Fast 2021 Stronger

Topic	Stronger ...Love for God
Scripture	<p>Mark 12:30 And you shall LOVE the Lord your God with ALL your heart, with ALL your soul, with ALL your mind, and with ALL your strength. This is the FIRST commandment.</p>
Definition	<p>LOVE is the Greek word AGAPE in our text. Agape love bonds relationships in a deep and loyal way. It is a love of friends to be celebrated joyfully . Agape love is assertive , “it seeks after “...it doesn’t just happen but is intentional. Jesus said it is to be the #1 , the first love and the first priority, in our lives.</p>
Prayer Tools	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. During this time of fasting and prayer we ask ourselves , are our lifestyle choices messed up? Pray for our priority to be SPIRI- TUAL PASSION. 2. Our primary RESPONSIBILITY and PRIVILEGE as people who are loved by God is to LOVE GOD. 3. We all struggle to love God completely. We are too busy loving ourselves, our lives and our stuff. Ask the HOLY SPIRIT for help and thank the HOLY SPIRIT for reminding and nurturing us in loving God. 4. Express gratitude to the Lord that as we love God more and more and put Him first ; all things in our lives fall into alinement with great peace and success.
Leader’s Prayer	5-6 minutes max
Closing Collective Prayer	<p>Heavenly Father, I will give my attention to you and seek after whatever you love. I am intentional about growing in love for you. I pray today to not just give to the best of my ability but ALL MY DEVOTION TO YOU. Lord, I present All my heart, ALL my soul, ALL my mind and ALL my strength to you. I desire to love you with a true HEART of sincerity and integrity. I bring my SOUL to you first with all my warm emotions and pour out my love on you. I dedicate my MIND and my intellect to seek out to study, think and reflect on the revelation of you found in nature , in your Word and certainly in Jesus who is the express image of you Father God. I exercise my faith which pleases you and invest my STRENGTH and physical energy into serving and loving you. I want to walk the walk of Christian love. Help me to love you Lord as you want to be loved. I pray this in the authority of Jesus Name</p>