SOM WEEK 2 OVERVIEW

Homework

- Bible Readings: Mark 6-10

- Book Readings: On Being a Servant of the Lord by Warren Wiersbe Pg. 73-140

Sermon Highlights: The Love of God Constrains me - Pastor Bobby Hargraves

Key Verses

- 2 Corinthians 5:14 "For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died;"
- 2 Samuel 7:8 "Now therefore, thus shall you say to My servant David, 'Thus says the LORD of hosts: "I took you from the sheepfold, from following the sheep, to be ruler over My people, over Israel."
- Ephesians 5:18 "And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit"
- Ephesians 3:17 "that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; that you, being rooted and grounded in love,"
- Romans 12:1-2 "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service. And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what *is* that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.
- Acts 9:5-6 "And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" Then the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads." So he, trembling and astonished, said, "Lord, what do You want me to do?" Then the Lord said to him, "Arise and go into the city, and you will be told what you must do."
- 1 Corinthians 13:1-8 "Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoke, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never fails."
- Jude 1:20-21 "But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life."
- Acts 20:32 "So now, brethren, I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and give you an inheritance among all those who are sanctified."

Key Points

Love

- He first loved us, we have to keep ourselves in the love of God daily.
- We can only love if we are in Christ Jesus.
- If you do many things for God but don't love others, you have gained nothing.
- It's important to never forget where God brought us from. God chose us before the foundations of the earth.
- The key of keeping on: Keep yourself in the love of Jesus Christ.

The Work of God

- The work of God is a process in your life, and it happens over the course of our lives. God forms and molds us in secret.
- The "I" needs to be bent down into a "C". It is no longer I who lives, but Christ who lives in me.
- Be under the spout where the glory comes out!
- Daily submit your life to Christ as a living sacrifice. (Romans 12:1)

Ministry

- If you want to lead, you have to read.
- God is the one who raises up.
- You want to be a self feeder, "building yourself up on the most holy faith"
- Stay in constant communication with God, "Praying always, praying without ceasing, praying in the Holy Spirit"

Reflection Questions

- How can I submit myself further to the work of God in my life?
- Am I doing a good job of staying in God's love?
- Is God's love for me, and my love for Him the reason why I do ministry?