PENTECOST METHODIST CHURCH

LIVE-IT-OUT GUIDE

Sermon Date: 28/08/2022 Text(s): John 13:31 – 14:4 Sermon Title: Learning To Love Preacher: Ps Collin See (The sermon recording is available in the PMC website and MyPMC App)

READ (5 mins)

John 13:31-14:4

31 As soon as Judas left the room, Jesus said, "The time has come for the Son of Man to enter into his glory, and God will be glorified because of him. 32 And since God receives glory because of the Son, he will give his own glory to the Son, and he will do so at once. 33 Dear children, I will be with you only a little longer. And as I told the Jewish leaders, you will search for me, but you can't come where I am going. 34 So now I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other. 35 Your love for one another will prove to the world that you are my disciples."

36 Simon Peter asked, "Lord, where are you going?"

And Jesus replied, "You can't go with me now, but you will follow me later."

37 "But why can't I come now, Lord?" he asked. "I'm ready to die for you."

38 Jesus answered, "Die for me? I tell you the truth, Peter—before the rooster crows tomorrow morning, you will deny three times that you even know me.

14 "Don't let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God, and trust also in me. 2 There is more than enough room in my Father's home. If this were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? 3 When everything is ready, I will come and get you, so that you will always be with me where I am. 4 And you know the way to where I am going."

RELATE (30 mins)

(Relate to what was shared and on key themes in the sermon)

1. The preacher taught the contrast between glorifying God and betraying/denying God. In the past week, how have you chosen to deny yourself so that God is glorified? And in doing so, what areas in your heart has His Spirit open up? 2. "We should only glorify God but we can give praises and share glory with one another." Share an account when someone shared the praises and glory with you; or when someone kept all the praises and glory for himself. How did you feel and what were your reactions?

REFLECT (30 mins)

(Reflect and apply God's word to our daily lives)

- 1. We all have the natural tendency to keep glory for ourselves. What can we intentionally do to avoid 'Kenodoxia' (vain glory)? What can you do, specifically, to give genuine praises and share glory with others in a current situation?
- 2. Jesus loves us with His life and loves us through serving. The preacher was led to remind us to love ourselves as Jesus loves us. In what way are you insecure in yourself or too harsh on yourself? Share with one another so that we can encourage and affirm one another with love and grace of our Heavenly Father.
- 3. "Learning to love Jesus is learning to trust in Jesus that He knows when it is the best time" His answer may not be immediate or according to our schedule, this means that we may have to wait. What is the one thing you are waiting upon God to act or intervene? How are you choosing to trust Him in this waiting? How has God worked in you through this time of waiting in Him?

REST (15 mins)

(Take time to share and pray for one another) (Pray for our church, our nation, and our world. See MyPMC > PRAY for monthly guide)

- Pray for one another to trust in God and wait upon His promises so that we have experience joy and have eyes of faith to see God's hands at work in our waiting.
- Pray for our church love one another by choosing to give praises and share glory, and by serving with joy and humility.
- Pray for the MCS to continue to be strong and stable, able to meet needs in Singapore, and stand out as a true witness of Christ Jesus.