



I Love Sundays – Part 5

Icebreaker: What was your favorite subject in High School?

Discuss:

1. How do you think most people would react to this statement: “The church has changed the history of the world more than any other entity on earth.”? What are some common perceptions of the Church today? Are they fair? Why or why not?
2. John 13:35 says, *“By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.”* Describe something good you’ve seen your church do.
3. In Matthew 16:18 Jesus said, *“On this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.”* What would you like to see your church accomplish? How can you help it to do so?
4. Galatians 3:28 says, *“There is neither Jew nor Greek, slave nor free, male nor female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus.”* Martin Luther King Jr. is credited with saying that Sunday morning is “the most segregated hour” in America. And recent research by Lifeway has found that 8 in 10 (86%) have congregations with one predominant racial group. How can American churches overcome their traditional racial separations? How can your church?
5. Read Acts 2:42-47. What is the purpose of the Church?
6. How can you love Sundays and love the Church better?

Prayer: Pray for each other based on your answers to #3 or #6.

Sample Prayer: *“Dear Lord, please help _____ (Name) _____, to take the step of _____ for Your glory. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”*