



Introduction:

There is so much going on around us, it can be hard to keep the Main Thing the Main Thing. This month, we'll talk about the Essentials - the key things we are called to do in our faith, no more, no less.

Scripture:

Jesus replied, “You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul, and all your mind.’ This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ The entire law and all the demands of the prophets are based on these two commandments.”

—Matthew 22:37-40



Discussion Questions:

1. What is your favorite card game? Favorite board game?
2. What have you learned about following Jesus? How have you put those lessons into practice?
3. Are there people in your life who are hard to love? What about them is hard to love?
4. Has someone rejected you because of some aspect of your identity or personality? Have you experienced that rejection from the church or from Christians? What was that like?
5. Do you stand on issues, or do you walk with people? Which is more important? Which is more impactful?
6. Whom do you need to love this week? How can you do that?