

## **RESET: Heart - Sunday June 14, 2020**

### **Hope Community Church – First Sunday Back Together After Lockdown**

**Discussion Starter(s):** *“We have not all been exposed to Covid-19, but we have all been exposed by Covid-19”.* What was exposed in your heart and life during Lockdown?

#### **Digging Deeper**

Jesus wants our hearts. He desires a daily, love relationship with us that enables us to experience God and walk with Him.

1. Read John 14:15-26. Daryl shared a dynamic for our daily walk with God. It revolves around love. What was it? How do the parts relate to each other? Observe what you can from the passage, particularly v15, 21, 23.

#### **Changing Our Hearts**

We all struggle to obey and submit our will to another. Jesus modelled this in the garden of Gethsemane. Submitting to someone wiser, stronger, more loving is the best thing we can do. There is a way to submit that is life-giving and empowering.

2. Jesus expects our love to produce obedience to him. What role does daily surrender/submission play in your walk with Jesus? What is needed for this to be healthy? What makes it so difficult for you?
3. What is the difference between coerced obedience and voluntary obedience? How does this relate to your relationship with Jesus?
4. Daryl shared two questions to consider: (1) What stirs up your affections/love for Jesus? (2) What causes your affections/love for Jesus to go cold? Take some time to share your personal answers to these questions.

#### **Living it Out**

Take some time to think very specifically and practically about what you most need right now to have a RESET of the heart in your relationship with Jesus.

5. Do you have an area of your life that you need to surrender to Jesus right now? Share what you feel comfortable about it, and your next step. Remember Jesus' prayer in the Garden.
6. How would you describe your heart for God right now? What one thing do you think He is saying to you about your heart for Him right now?
7. What is a rock/rhythm that you can put into your daily life that would help you to love and obey Jesus, and therefore experience the love of God more fully?