**Real Life**

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***With Pastor Steve***

*They will know we are Christians by our…*

 What’s the first thing that comes to your mind? Not the “answer” that we know, the one that Jesus gave us… but the things that many Christians seem to be known for. Let’s see if I can help… judgmentalism… self-righteousness … being condescending… fighting among themselves over petty issues. That’s just a start, and that’s not a pretty list, is it?

 However, Jesus said… “the world will know you are my disciples… because of your love for one another… and through your unity.” Not to mention our love and service to this broken world in general.

 Now yes, God is Holy… He desires a Holy people. Unity and love is not void of boundaries or perimeters. It’s just… how Christians have represented this Holy God that’s been so sad. May it begin anew with us. May we have unity in essentials, liberty in non-essentials, and in all things – charity (love).

 May we live the words of Jesus… may we realize that we need each other. May our unity in Christ keep our hearts tender toward each other. May the love of God become tangible to the world around us… may people feel loved by God… because they are loved by us. I think… that’s what Jesus had in mind. *And that’s … real life.* ~*Pastor Steve Rowe – Eaglebrook Church*

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