

## **Family Ties: “Love and Embrace”**

**I Corinthians 8:1-13, 13:8-13**

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### **WARM-UP QUESTIONS:**

1. Think of someone who you are close with – a family member, a friend, a long-time co-worker. Even as you have had a positive and mutually beneficial relationship, how have you navigate topics where you know that they have a different opinion?
2. How do you love someone you disagree with? How do you receive love from someone you disagree with?

### **REFLECTION QUESTIONS:**

1. Read about one of the pressing issues in the church of Corinth at that time – whether Christians could eat food used in pagan worship (I Corinthians 8). What were the different viewpoints? How did Paul encourage the Corinthians to address their disagreement?
2. How do you think those who felt it was wrong to eat such meat dealt with others who didn't think it was wrong? What are some important scriptural principles that can guide toward a healthy living together?

### **APPLICATION QUESTIONS:**

1. Reflecting on I Corinthians 13, in our past Sunday service, our former pastor Melvin shared his journey of God's love and embrace with others. In his message, what did his conservative friend, Andrew, risk to show love to Melvin? What did Melvin risk to keep up his friendship with Andrew? How might this help you in a situation with someone in your life?