Temple Family Bible Study – May 10th

Start the Conversation

In Pastor Wade's introduction this week, he mentioned the movie, *The Princess Bride*. Ask each person to respond to this question: Who was your favorite character in *The Princess Bride*? What was your favorite part of the movie?

[If you have never seen the movie, it is available for free streaming on Disney+ or you can rent/buy it on several platforms. Consider having a family movie night to watch it.]

Take a moment to think about Pastor Wade's illustration of Westley ("Farm Boy") always saying "As you wish" to Princess Buttercup. What are some ways that you show your love to your family other than saying the words, "I love you"?

Turn to the Bible

Read Exodus 20:1-17 and then ask the following questions.

What is the greatest commandment in the Bible? [Depending on your group, there might be some discussion as to which of the Ten Commandments is most important, or they might realize that Jesus addressed this guestion in Matthew 22.]

What did Jesus say when He was asked this question? (Matthew 22:34-40) Is this commandment found in the Old Testament? Where? (Deuteronomy 6:4-8)

Beyond the command to love God completely, what else does Deuteronomy 6:4-8 teach us about life in our homes?

Pastor Wade read a very famous passage about love in the message this week—1 Corinthians 13.

In these verses, Paul describes what love is and is not like. For each description of love in 1

Corinthians 13:4-7, find examples—both positive and negative—of how you could act to either show love to others or show others that you don't care. Make a list of these examples.

Make a Plan

After you finish making your list of both good and bad examples of love from 1 Corinthians 13:4-7, encourage each person to choose three things from that list that they are going to work on this week. Each one should write down his/her list of three characteristics of love that they plan to work on this week. Then ask: Would anyone like to share their list with the group?

Close in prayer, asking God to help each one of you to be mindful of these three things all week long.