FBC Sebring Wednesday Prayer Meeting

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John 15:9-17 (ESV)

9 As the Father has loved Me, so have I loved you. Abide in My love.
10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in My love, just as I have kept my
Father's commandments and abide in His love.
11 These things I have spoken to you, that My joy may be in you, and that your joy may
be full.

    Prayer points:

- Praise God for His love (that He IS love), and thank Him that we share
  in the love between the Father and the Son.
- Pray that we would *abide* in the love of Christ, specifically by keeping
  His commandments.
- Pray that Jesus' joy would be in us, in full measure.

12 This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.
13 Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends.

    Prayer points:

- Pray that we would *truly* love another as Jesus has loved us.
- Pray that the example of Jesus' love would cause us to love
  sacrificially, as well.

14 You are My friends if you do what I command you.
15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is
doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from My Father I have made
known to you.
16 You did not choose Me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and
bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in My
Name, He may give it to you.
17 These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

    Prayer points:

- Pray that we would demonstrate our friendship with Jesus through
  obedience to His commands.

- Thank Jesus for the closeness and intimacy of our relationship with Him, and for the incredible truths He has revealed to us in His Word and through His Spirit.
- Thank Jesus for choosing you!
- Pray that we would bear true, abiding fruit – which would lead to our prayers being granted by the Father.
- Again, pray that we would be known and marked by true love for *each other*.