## Edgewater Growth Group Discussion Questions Philippians 1v9-11/ No Limits / Week 4 / 2.21.2016

## Read Philippians 1v1-11 together...

**Perissos?** Over and above; something further; surpassing; more remarkable; more excellent

Why do you suppose Paul would pray, that the God kind of love (Agape) would go over and beyond in the lives of his friends in Philippi?

What does it look like when agape love is increasing in someone's life? What kind of characteristics would you expect to see?

Do you see this kind of love manifesting in our community (Edgewater?) How so?

Do you see it growing, expanding, evolving in your own life? How so? (keep in mind.....this may also be a good time to call it out in one another. Example - this is how I see the love of God pouring out of your life - encourage one another)

If not, what do you suppose is keeping that from happening?

Do you find yourself resisting that love that God longs to pour out in your life?

## **Epignosis?** Knowledge

What is the difference between knowing about something and knowing something?

What are the signs that a person; a community; doesn't just know about the love of God but they know it? (know what I mean?)

Is having knowledge about the Bible going to transform a person's heart?

**Aisthesis?** When you are keenly aware of the consequences of an action (how you respond when the heat gets cranked up)

Example; what happens when you come across someone who is really difficult to love? What get's stoke up inside of you?

What keeps you from seeing others through the lens of agape love (that God like love)? What are some healthy ways to go about changing that in your life?

In Galatians 5 Paul talks about the fruit of the Spirit; Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control.

According to Paul all of these things are inside the life of a Christian.

How do you go about nurturing these attributes in your life?

Can these fruit come flowing out of our life outside of community?

How do relationships help these things to grow, expand and evolve in our lives?

In Closing; spend some time praying these things over one another....

We Want More!!!

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Remember - if you need any help processing any of this stuff or if you want to explore the things that are keeping you from growing, expanding and evolving than please give me a call. I'm here to help in anyway that I can