

Multiplying Love 2024 Lenten Study

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Chapter 1: Always Renewing

"Changes of perspective...always hinge on a reassessment of scripture because we take the Bible seriously and wish to be in sync with God's vision in all things." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"



Chapter 2: Love Is the Highest Gift

"The purpose of transformation reminds us that faith must be translated into action, bringing about purposeful change, growth, and restoration. This posture and this purpose facilitate renewal." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"



Chapter 3: Why We Need to Embrace Unity

"If we have nothing to offer the world other than a legacy of separation, alienation, and division, then we have nothing to offer that the world has not already mastered." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"



Chapter 4: The Peaceable Reign of Christ

"When grace, mercy, and love prevail, joy replaces sorrow, love displaces anger and hatred, community supplants envy and malice, and unity and harmony supersede our penchant for discord. God transforms us from a people of noise, rancor, and division into a united family, in which the quiet and peaceable reign of Christ rules. God invites us to live into and embody this vision." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"



Chapter 5: The Opportunity Before Us

"We don't make renewal happen. That's God's work. But God needs willing partners to tend the flame of the Spirit's work. Do you want to be one of those partners?" –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"

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Chapter 6: The Church as a Community of Inclusive Love and Grace

"Just as Jesus's image of the vine and the branches (John 15), we are gathered to learn how to love (as disciples) and then sent out into the world (as apostles) to share that love with others." –Paul Chilcote,

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"Chapter 7: Discovering Love Again for the First Time

"The Wesleyan Way is one of incarnational ministry that empties itself of all but love and finds its greatest reward in the realization of God's dream of shalom for all." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"



Chapter 8: A Vision for the Refreshed United Methodist Church

"Let's pray that the Spirit of Christ will refresh us all and help us multiply love in The United Methodist Church for the sake of the world." –Paul Chilcote, "Multiplying Love"