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Series: I Want to Know What Love Is
Part 6: Love Is Not Rude
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1. Shay introduced Ted's message on "Love Is Not Rude," by being "Mr. Rogers."
 - *Did you watch Mr. Rogers when you were growing up?
 - *In what way was his message of being a neighbor ahead of its time while also being timeless?
 - *How did the children answer the question about our eyes, ears and body demonstrating good manners?

2. What is the rudest thing you remember seeing or experiencing?

3. I Corinthians 14:20 says, "Brothers and sisters, stop thinking like children. In regard to evil be infants, but in your thinking be adults." In your Christian life, do you consider yourself more a child or an adult? How do you think differently than you did when you first became a Christian? Should our thinking change?

4. Ted said love is considerate to those around you. In what ways have you been taught or have taught your children to be considerate? How have you been considerate this past week? When have you been inconsiderate?

5. Ted mentioned manners he was taught. What are several manners you were taught?

6. How have you honored people in another culture?

7. Love requires that we watch not only our manners but also our mouth. Ephesians 5:4 says, "Nor should there be obscenity, foolish talk or coarse joking which are out of place, but rather thanksgiving."
 - *Do you think having a heart full of thanksgiving can help us avoid obscenity, foolish talk, and coarse joking?
 - *Do you think it's fairly typical for church attending Christians to engage in one of the three types of unwise talk?
 - *Why do people cuss?

8. James 3:9-10 says, "With the tongue we praise our Lord and Father, and with it we curse human beings, who have been made in God's likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing. My brother and sisters, this should not be?" What do you think "we curse human beings" means in this context? Do you think James is taking about cussing? About more than cussing?

9. Do words like "crap" and "freaking" offend you? Why or why not?

10. Proverbs 15:4 says, "The soothing tongue is a tree of life, but a perverse tongue crushes the spirit." How have you seen the two principles played out around you?

