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Week 3 - Love Discussion Guide

We live in a society of love: we love our phones, we love our cars, we love our pets, we love our coffee. But is that really love? Jesus calls us to a style of love that goes beyond what our culture teaches.

Jump Start

1. What item of clothing, accessory, or jewelry do you feel is absolutely necessary to “finish” your look?
2. *Love is the priority.* **Read Colossians 3:14, Romans 13:8, and 1 Corinthians 13:13.** How do these verses remind us that love isn’t optional for believers? When have you been intentional about making the choice to show love in a difficult circumstance?
3. *Love acts.* **Read James 2:14-17, Galatians 6:2, Hebrews 10:24, and John 3:16.** Love is action, not just feelings. Each of the verses above gives us examples of ways to “act in love.” How do these examples differ from one another? Do you find any of these ways easier than others?
4. *Love unifies.* **Read John 13:34-35 and Ephesians 2:14-18.** According to John 13:34-35, why is it important for love to bind us together? Read Ephesians 2:14-18 aloud in different translations. What is this passage teaching us about what Jesus did for the New Testament church? How does this still apply to His Church today?
5. Final Thought: *“Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, hopes all things, endures all things” 1 Corinthians 13:4-7 (ESV).* Do these truths about love challenge you? Ask God to reveal to you any instances where the type of love you show others doesn’t match God’s definition of love.

Deeper

6. **Read 1 John 4:7-21.** Meditate on the central message of this passage: “God is love.” The only way to really love is to realize we are truly loved by God. How do you know you are loved by God? What are some ways that God has specifically shown His love to you?

7. **Read 1 Corinthians 13:1-3.** The ability to truly love others comes directly from God. When you read these verses from “the Love Chapter,” consider and discuss what happens when we have religious behavior without love.

8. **Read 1 John 3:18.** How does John encourage us to turn our religiosity into real love?