

Sermon-Based Discussion Guide

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BIBLE PASSAGES - 1 John 3:16-18, Rom. 8:12-14, James 1:22-25, Lk. 10:27

1 John 3:16 We know what real love is because Jesus gave up his life for us. So we also ought to give up our lives for our brothers and sisters. **17** If someone has enough money to live well and sees a brother or sister in need but shows no compassion—how can God's love be in that person? **18** Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

Romans 8:12 Therefore, dear brothers and sisters,^[a] you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. **13** For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But if through the power of the Spirit you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature,^[b] you will live. **14** For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

15 So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father."**16** For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children. **17** And since we are his children, we are his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory.

James 1:22 But don't just listen to God's word. You must do what it says. Otherwise, you are only fooling yourselves. **23** For if you listen to the word and don't obey, it is like glancing at your face in a mirror. **24** You see yourself, walk away, and forget what you look like. **25** But if you look carefully into the perfect law that sets you free, and if you do what it says and don't forget what you heard, then God will bless you for doing it.

Luke 10:27 He answered, "'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind'^[a]; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Other Passages: Luke 10, 1 John, 1 Cor 5, Romans 12

Connect:

Get to know each other. Connect, warm up to each other, and take time to fellowship.

Care:

Carry each other's burdens. Share life's challenges and practice Soul Care. Pray together.

Challenge:

1. Bryce had talked about how we all have good intentions, but the hard thing is that "*All In*" means we need to **take action**. Take a moment to share some good intentions that you have had a harder time making a reality within your family? Or your own life?
2. When considering your own spiritual journey and how far along you are, how does it make you feel? What is one significant thing that you have done on your spiritual growth in the 12 months?
3. Read together the story of the Good Samaritan, and discuss the story from the listeners perspective? What can we learn from this? What are the obvious takeaways? What are the less obvious?
4. Romans 8 describes the Holy Spirit and His role in our lives today, how might we respond to situations differently because of the Holy Spirit? How has that looked in your own life? How do you include this in your prayer life?
5. What are some ways that your small group can be more missional this summer? Share some ideas that would be "not avoiding the mess" instead listening and doing as the Holy Spirit leads as we in this example.

Clarify:

Does anyone need clarity on something? Are there any big God questions you are wrestling with?

Celebrate:

Celebrate life's successes and God's provision. Worship God's presence. Time to brag about God.

KEY TAKEAWAYS