



STUDY THROUGH 1 JOHN WEEK NINE | MADE FOR GOD'S LOVE

 YOU ARE MADE BY GOD TO BE LOVED BY HIM

LOVE SPRINGS NATURALLY FROM THE HEART OF GOD FOR YOU!

Who didn't sing as a child, "Jesus loves me this I know for the Bible tells me so."? Now the truth is, maybe you didn't sing that song but I know you've heard it. That song reflects the simplest but most powerful sentiment of the Bible. Namely, that God loves you. This simple and oft overlooked reality has changed the course of humanity, impacted civilizations and cultures and rescued the most lost among us from the clutches of sin.

In short, there is nothing like the love of God. It is the single most powerful force in heaven and on the face of the earth. And it is His natural disposition towards you. Isn't that amazing? How does that impact you? John in these verses conveys the deep impact of God's love on the heart of the believer. And it should leave you proclaiming to Him, "God thank you for your love for me."

Leaders: Take your group through each section: Pray, Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.

"GOD'S LOVE IS AT ONCE THE MOST MULTIFACETED GEM IN THE COMPENDIUM OF HIS QUALITIES, THE MOST SUBLIME SUBJECT FOR THE UNIVERSE'S CONSIDERATION, AND THE MOST SIGNIFICANT AND SIMPLE TRUTH FOR YOU TO EXPERIENCE."

DEREK NEIDER



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Play the video prepared for this lesson by Pastor Derek Neider. Video sessions are available for download at www.cclasvegas.org/GROUPS



PRAY (10 min)

As a Home Group, take a moment to share about the impact of God's love on your life. Pray for a deeper influence of God's love in your heart.



REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them together.

- **It's good to love God. That is the first and most important purpose of your life. But your love for God isn't what transforms you, His love transforms you. Describe the impact of God's love on your life. Be specific about how you have experienced the power of His love**
- **John says that we can have boldness in the day of judgment. What does he mean by that? How can you have boldness or confidence when you stand before God?**

"MOST ASSUREDLY, I SAY TO YOU, HE WHO HEARS MY WORD AND BELIEVES IN HIM WHO SENT ME HAS EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SHALL NOT COME INTO JUDGMENT, BUT HAS PASSED FROM DEATH INTO LIFE."

JOHN 5:24

- **God's love is perfecting your heart. In part that means freedom from fear. Are there areas of fear in your life that need to be submitted to the love of God? Identify them and describe how you are going to choose the love of God over fear.**

"BEING CONFIDENT OF THIS VERY THING, THAT HE WHO HAS BEGUN A GOOD WORK IN YOU WILL COMPLETE IT UNTIL THE DAY OF JESUS CHRIST." PHILIPPIANS 1:6



REACH 5 MIN.

Considering what God revealed to you this week, how can you apply what you've learned to be more impacted by God's love?

Pray about one particular area in your life where you need freedom from fear. Let the power of God's love rule your heart.

Next week we will be anxiously awaiting your praise report about how God used you to bring light into someone's life.

