

Advent Conspiracy

Love All

TALK IT OVER

Key Scripture

36 "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the Law?" 37 And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. 38 This is the great and first commandment. 39 And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. 40 On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets." – Matthew 22:36-40 (ESV)

6 And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. 7 And when they had come up to Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them. 8 So, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. 9 And a vision appeared to Paul in the night: a man of Macedonia was standing there, urging him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." 10 And when Paul[a] had seen the vision, immediately we sought to go on into Macedonia, concluding that God had called us to preach the gospel to them. – Acts 16:6-10 (ESV)

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Start Talking: Find a conversation starter for your group. (15 Min)

- What do you love?
- What makes you feel loved?

Head: Start Thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking. (10 Min)

- Read Matthew 22:36-40. What is the greatest commandment? How does this cover all of the laws in one command?
- Read Acts 16:6-10. Where was Paul called to go and why?
 - How was Paul's obedience an act of love?
 - Do you think it was easy for Paul to go where God wanted him to go rather than where he wanted to go? Why or why not?

Heart: Start Sharing. Choose a question to create openness. (10 Min)

- Does Love call us to do something that might be inconvenient sometimes?
- Have you heard the saying Love Does? What do you think that means?
- Think of a time when you were overwhelmed by someone's love? What was that like?
- How is Love meant to strengthen and grow us? How are you growing in love through Jesus?

Hands: Start Doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week. (10 Min)

- How can you Love All? Who needs your love right now?
- Try befriending someone who might be lonely or hard to love, invite them into your home for a meal.

Start Praying. Be bold and pray with power. (15 Min)

- For suggestions on structuring prayer time, see the *Group Prayer Ideas* page in this packet.

Trios: Split into same-gender groups of three. (15 Min)

1. What's a passage of scripture that has impacted you this week? Read it to the group and explain why.
2. Is there anything God is leading you to repent of?
3. How's your weekly 3-2-1 challenge going? (*3 Conversations with New People, Learn 2 Names, Make 1 Meaningful Connection*)
4. Who is one non-believer that you need to reach out to this week?
5. What's something you'd like someone else to check in with you about this week?
6. Pray for one another.