

# Discussion Guide

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#### **START**

There are people in our life that have shown us an example of love. It could be a parent, a spouse, a sibling, or a friend. Our idea of love can always be connected to someone. Jesus tells us as we love others as He loved us, it will point other people to Him.

- What is love?
- Who in your life has been a strong example of love?
- How has that shaped how you love others?

#### **READ**

John 13:34-35 (NIV)

"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."

#### **THINK**

The apostle Paul lays out what love looks like. Love is patient, kind, does not envy, is not boastful, not prideful, does not dishonor, not self-seeking, slow to anger, does remember wrongs. Love always trusts, always hopes, and always perseveres.

- How does the love you show to others resemble this list?
- How can you lean on Jesus to have the love you show resemble the love that He gave?
- What area of love do you need to develop in your life?
- What does love require of you?

In life there can be junk that starts to crowd our lives. It can be hard to remain in Jesus when so much around us is competing for our attention. What is required of us to get down and ask hard questions so that we can continue to stay connected to Jesus.

- What are you doing to remain in Jesus?
- What in your life competes for your attention that belongs to Jesus?
- What can you put into practice that can help you to keep God first in your life?

### **PRAY**

"God, help me to see what love requires of me to point other people to you."

## **ACT**

With each new decision you face this week, ask yourself the question, "what does love require of me?" before making your decision.

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