Small Group Study — Loving & Treasured

Based on Mark 12:28–34, Luke 17:11–19, and supporting passages

Key Thoughts

- 1. Love is more than emotion, it is the self-sacrificial gift of God Himself (Agape).
- 2. Jesus embodies perfect love, showing compassion without expecting gratitude or return.
- 3. True love persists despite rejection; it acts, gives, and heals because God is love.
- 4. Being treasured by God means recognizing the infinite price paid for our redemption.
- 5. God's love invites our response: to love others as we've been loved and to treasure Christ above all else.

Discussion Questions

- 1. How has our culture redefined or misunderstood the word "love"? What does biblical love look like in comparison?
- 2. Jesus healed ten lepers, but only one returned in gratitude. What does this story teach us about love and expectations?
- 3. In what ways can we show "Agape" love to people who may never thank us or return it?
- 4. What does it mean to you that God treasures you enough to pay an infinite price through Jesus?
- 5. How can understanding that you are "treasured" change the way you approach serving and giving?
- 6. What are practical ways our group can demonstrate both love and trust in God this week?

Application

- 1. **Re-center your love this week.** Write down two names of neighbors, coworkers, or family members and pray for them daily.
- 2. **Trust God with your treasure.** Give in a way that stretches your faith, your time, your talent, or your treasure.
- 3. **Activate love in action.** Look for one opportunity to serve someone in need with no expectation of recognition.

Closing Prayer

Father, thank You for loving us with a perfect and undeserved love.

Thank You for treasuring us so deeply that You gave Your Son to redeem us.

Teach us to love as You love; persistently, selflessly, and without expectation.

May our lives reflect Your heart and our actions draw others to You.

Help us to treasure Christ above all things.

In Jesus' name, Amen.