Made to Love and Be Loved.

You were made to		

Even before he made the world, God loved us and chose us in Christ to be holy and without fault in his eyes. God decided in advance to adopt us into his own family by bringing us to himself through Jesus Christ. This is what he wanted to do, and it gave him great pleasure."

~ EPHESIANS 1:4-5 (NLT)

But anyone who does not love does not know God, for God is love."

~ 1 JOHN 4:8 (NLT)

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See how very much our Father loves us, for he calls us his children, and that is what we are!"

~ 1 JOHN 3:1 (NLT)

Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep his love is. May you experience the love of Christ, though it is too great to understand fully. Then you will be made complete with all the fullness of life and power that comes from God."

~ EPHESIANS 3:17-19 (NLT)

How would you live if you were ______ of God's love?

instead of

- Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us."

 ~ ROMANS 5:1 (NLT)
- We know how much God loves us, and we have put our trust in his love. God is love, and all who live in love live in God, and God lives in them. And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world."

~ 1 JOHN 4:16-17 (NLT)

instead of

- 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.'"

 ~ ROMANS 8:15 (NLT)
- So let us come boldly to the throne of our gracious God. There we will receive his mercy, and we will find grace to help us when we need it most."

~ **HEBREWS 4:16** (NLT)

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66	Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus." ~ PHILIPPIANS 4:7 (NLT)			
66	And we know that God causes everything to work together for the good of those who love God and are called according to his purpose for them." ~ ROMANS 8:28 (NLT)			
	instead of			
66	So don't worry about these things, saying, 'What will we eat? What will we drink? What will we wear?' These things dominate the thoughts of unbelievers, but your heavenly Father already knows all your needs. Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need." ~ MATTHEW 6:31-33 (NLT)			
Your problem is not that				
	It's notthat matters; It's That matters; I want you to show love, not offer sacrifices. I want you to know me more than I want burnt offerings." ~ HOSEA 6:6 (NLT)			
66	So here's what I want you to do, God helping you: Take your everyday, ordinary life—your sleeping, eating, going-to-work, and walking-around life—and place it before God as an offering." ~ ROMANS 12:1 (MSG)			
66	Here's what I want you to do: Find a quiet, secluded place so you won't be tempted to role-play before God. Just be there as simply and honestly as you can manage. The focus will shift from you to God, and you will begin to sense his grace."			

~ MATTHEW 6:6 (MSG)

Discussion Questions

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- **1** Share a time in your life where you felt fully loved and accepted. Share a time when love let you down.
- 2 Why do some people (...maybe even you) struggle to fully accept Gods love? What obstacles are in your way? What can you do to step deeper into his love?
- **3** Read Ephesians 1:4-5. What do these verses tell us about WHEN God chose to love us? WHY he chose us? HOW he sees us now? And His feelings towards us?
- **4 -** Read Ephesians 3:17-19. As you grow in understanding of How much God loves you, how does that affect your ability to love him back?
- **5** Read Romans 12:1. What part of your "everyday, ordinary life" can you more fully do with an attitude of Worship? What part of your life do you tend to leave God out of?
- 6 Talk about a plan with your group to regularly engage in worship. Alone and in community. (be creative and think outside of the box.)

