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Love Like Jesus Part Three | Sunday, September 21, 2025

*Read God's Word Aloud*

**Mark 12:30** And you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.

**1 John 1:5-10** 5 This is the message we have heard from him and proclaim to you, that God is light, and in him is no darkness at all. 6 If we say we have fellowship with him while we walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. 8 If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we say we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

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*Discuss God's Word and God's World*

**Important:** The goal is never to “get through” every question like a checklist. It’s ok to linger on a few questions if they spark sanctifying discussion or opportunities for intercessory prayer.

- Cory shared, “Deep and lasting change happens best in the context of Christ-centered community.” Has this been true in your life? If not, why do you think that is?
- What does it mean for you to walk in the light? Is there a specific way that you have not been walking in the light but in darkness instead? Share that with your home group.
- Why is confessing our sins a part of our relationship with God? Do you find it easy or difficult to confess your sins to another believer? Why?
- Is your home group a casual community or a cancel/condemning community? Be honest with where the home group can grow.
- How can you encourage one another in your home group to walk in the light and confess their sins?
- Spend some time celebrating what Christ has done for you and your home group over your time together.



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*Sanctificational Prayer Guidance*

Pray that your home group would be known as a safe, confessing community.

Heavenly Father, you are the light and in you there is no darkness. Help us to walk in Your light today.

Ask God to cleanse you from all unrighteousness. Make sure and name the idols God has revealed in your life over the last few weeks.

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*Family Memory Verse of the Month for September*

For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 6:23 (ESV)

