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Week One | Love One Another | 06.27-28.2020

Grow Deep Conversation Questions: Use these questions to help you process the message in your personal time of study or with your group. Time suggestions are based on a 90 minute group gathering.

Message Recap: It is much easier to avoid others, judge others, ignore others, criticize others. But Jesus tells His followers their job is to love others. How do we apply this same command in our lives today?

» Opening (2-3 minutes)

- Introductions - this is especially important if this is your first meeting and if there are new members
- Housekeeping - clarify expectations
 - **Announcements:** These are in your Community News email. **Please read and communicate! Encourage participation!**
 - Remind your group that this is a confidential meeting
 - **Remember there may be many thoughts and views. Please remain kind and respectful during conversations.**
- Pray - open your time together in prayer

» Introduction (12 minutes)

- Ice-Breaker: What was/is the hardest subject for you in school?
- Digging Deeper: What do you do when you face a difficult situation? Why do you think that is?

» Observation | Read John 13:31-35; Romans 13:8-10 (15 minutes)

- What are your initial reactions to these passages? What do you find challenging? Are you encouraged by any of these verses? Why?

» Key Principle | Love is the Lesson. (15 minutes)

- What is something that you (and others) would consider yourself to be an expert in? What makes you an expert?
- What makes loving others so difficult? What do we do instead of loving others the way Jesus told us to love?

» Calling Card Love | Reference John 13:31-35 (15 minutes)

- Outside of your family, Who was the most loving person in your life growing up?
- Jesus said that love would be our calling card as Christians. Do you feel like this is true in your life? Why or why not?
- How can you be more intentional to show and share love with others - both Christians and not?

» Law Fulfilling Love | Reference Romans 13:8-10 (15 minutes)

- What was the most important thing you accomplished this month?
- What relationships need more investment this week to 'fulfill the law of love'?
- Jesus says that the hundreds of commands are really wrapped up in the idea of loving God and loving people; where are you seeing success in this through your life?

» Next Steps and Prayer | (15 minutes)

- What would it look like if we became experts in loving one another?
- Who is easy to forget about in your life or take for granted? Find a practical way to show love to three specific people this week.
- Close by praying for each other to take some time this week to consider what it would be like to actually love one another.