

# GUIDE

## 01. SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- ◇ How does “mutual affection” or phileo love differ from agape love?

*Are you struggling to love someone in your life right now? If so, why do you think it's challenging, and how can you take a next step in light of the sermon this weekend?*

- ◇ Read John 13:34-35 aloud. Why is it especially important for Christians to love one another? What is ultimately at stake?
- ◇ In what ways does the American Church embody John 13:34-35? Where is there room for growth?
- ◇ In the spirit of *grace-centered truth*, let's consider: Are we part of the problem? If so, how can we take personal steps to grow in love?

## 02. ASK YOUR STUDENT

- ◇ In 1 Corinthians 13, Paul elevates love above everything else. Why is love one of the most important qualities you can demonstrate as you pursue spiritual momentum?
- ◇ It was described that love is giving up your right to win. How can you lay down your agenda or your preferences this week in order to show love to someone?
- ◇ How can remembering God's love for you motivate you to love others this week?



# 03.

DIG DEEPER

**“Love never ends.”** Humanly speaking, that’s a lofty sentiment. Our love is fickle and flawed, and often ends in heartbreak, disaster, or disappointment. But the claim that “love never ends” is actually a promise straight from Scripture. It’s found in I Corinthians 13:8, and it speaks not of human love but divine love.

Dig deeper by reading I Corinthians 13. Everywhere you see the word “love” substitute the word “Christ.” I John 4:8 says that “God is love.” He is the fulfillment of true love, and His love for us will never (ever) end.



*“O Lord of Grace, the world is before me this day, and I am weak and fearful, but I look to Thee for strength. If I venture forth alone I stumble and fall, but on the Beloved’s arms I am firm as the eternal hills. I plead His blood to pay my debts of wrong. Accept His worthiness for my unworthiness, His meekness for my pride, His fullness for my emptiness, His love for my enmity, His glory for my shame, His death for my life.”*

**PURITAN PRAYERS,** FROM  
*THE VALLEY OF VISION*

# 04. TABLE TALK

## + GOD’S LOVE GROWS SCIENCE EXPERIMENT

### WHAT YOU NEED:

- ◇ 1 bar of Ivory brand soap
- ◇ A microwave
- ◇ A microwavable plate

### WHAT YOU DO:

- ◇ Put the unwrapped bar of soap on the microwavable plate and put it in the microwave for 90 seconds.
- ◇ Watch through the microwave window and see how the bar of soap grows into a big fluffy cloud!
- ◇ It will be very hot, so let it sit and cool down for a few minutes before playing with it (it’s so fluffy!!)
- ◇ Use the cool down time to explain that God’s love is represented by the bar of soap. When we have the love of God inside of us it grows and starts affecting every part of our life. It gets so big that it can’t help but pour out of us and onto others.
- ◇ God wants us to share His love with everyone around us, but to do that we have to let His love grow in us!

## + PRESCHOOL QUE

God loves us so very much!  
Because His love for us is so big, it makes us want to love others. God wants our hearts to overflow with His love so much that it affects our actions and thoughts. Then it will help us show His love to the people around us.



## + ELEMENTARY QUESTIONS

- ◇ What does it mean to love God with not just our feelings, but with our thoughts and actions?
- ◇ How would our life be different if we truly loved God with our everything? (Our relationships, how we treat others, our priorities and desires, how we spend our time, etc)
- ◇ How can remembering God’s love for you motivate you to love others this week?



**MORE RESOURCES**



[DISCOVERGRACE.COM/SERIES/FINDING-MOMENTUM/](http://DISCOVERGRACE.COM/SERIES/FINDING-MOMENTUM/) | [@DISCOVERGRACE](https://www.instagram.com/DiscoverGrace)

