



Week Two : Love God

Jesus answered, "The most important is, 'Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is one. 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. Mark 12:28-30

SECTION A:

- Easy icebreaker- i.e. Say your name and your favorite fall activity or food?
- Reminder: Life Group Agreement: [Click here for Life Group Purpose and Agreement](#)

Section B: You will not have time to address all of these questions!!!! Pick one or two.

1. We all express love differently in our human relationships. Do we all express our love to God differently? What are some of the ways people respond to God's love? What is your unique way of responding to God's love?
2. Can you command an emotion, like love God? What can a person do to move themselves under the bucket (even when they aren't feeling it) in a way that might result in beginning to "feel" the love of God?
3. Dave said, "Religion without feelings is just duty and commitment". Have you ever felt this way? When? What does a religion based on duty and commitment alone look like?
4. Describe a time when you loved God as a **response** to his overwhelming love.
5. We know that we need to love the people around us even when we aren't feeling it. What does this look like for you? With people? With God?
6. Tell about a time you decided to love God back by obeying, following or listening to him and like Jeff you were surprised when God led you to something like rest or celebration.
7. Alice said she returns God's love for her by believing he loves her and by living in joy. What might that look like for you?
8. Think about the statement "Love is the most powerful transformative resource God makes available to humans." Could you put a percentage on how convinced you are of this? What if it is true, what would that mean? What would you stop doing if this was true? What would you start doing if this is 100% true?